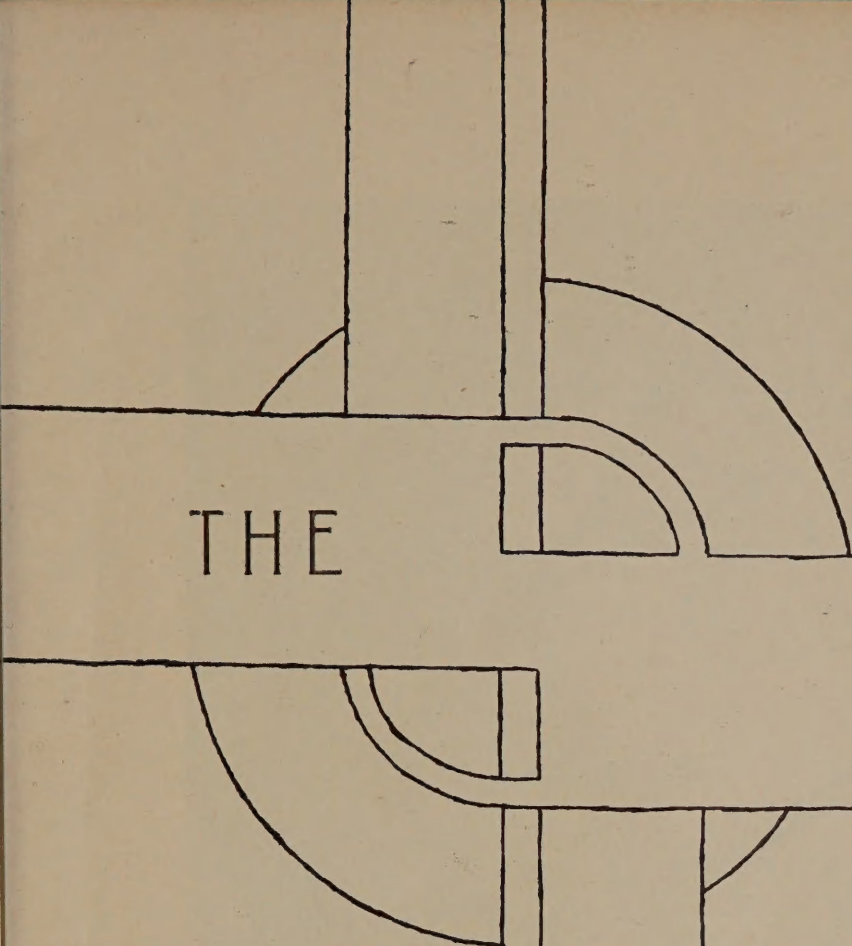


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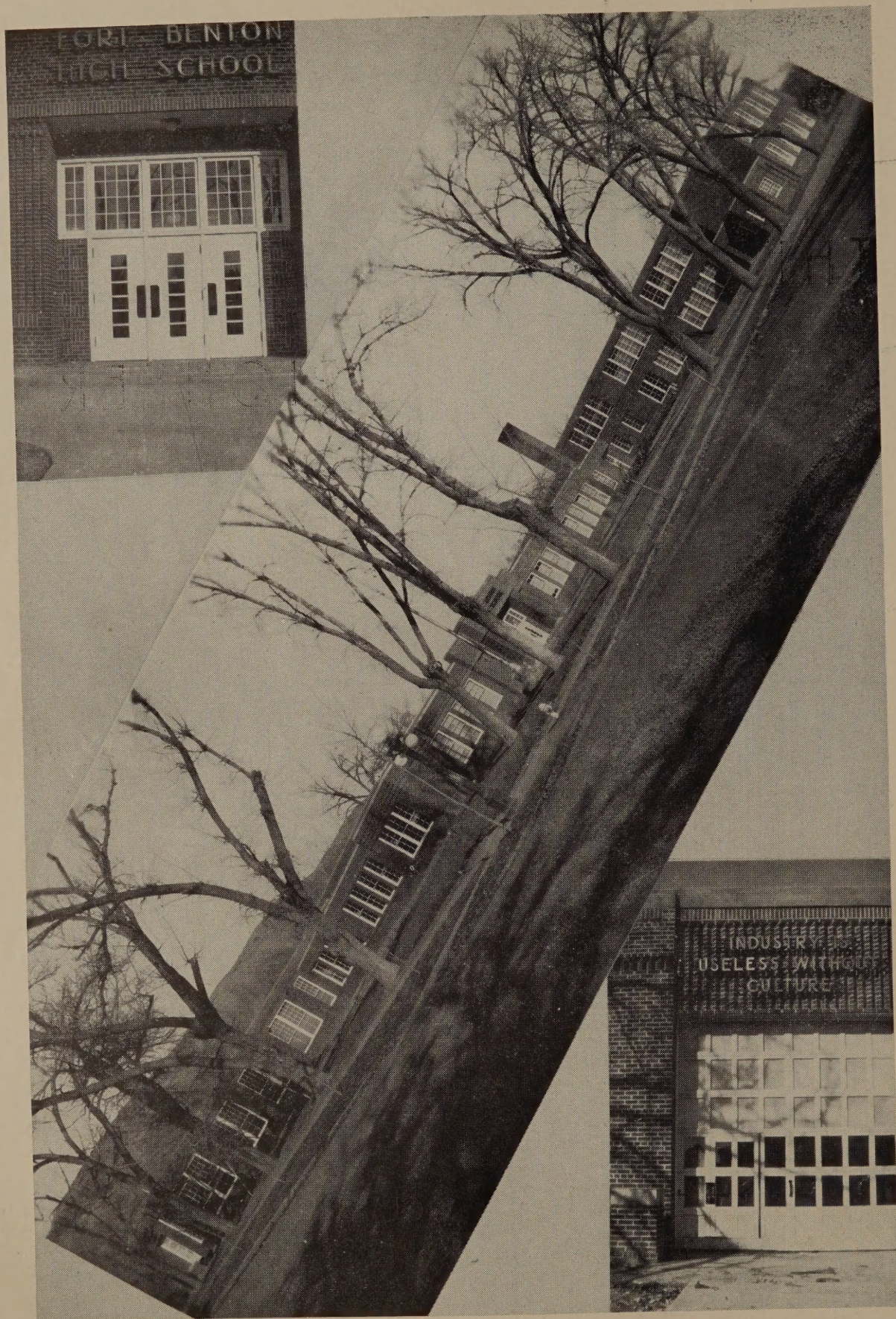
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FOREWORD

With this Pioneer, the seniors of '47 have fulfilled their aim in leaving a lasting document to the Fort Benton High School in the hope that their friendships, clubs, and school spirit may be preserved forever after.





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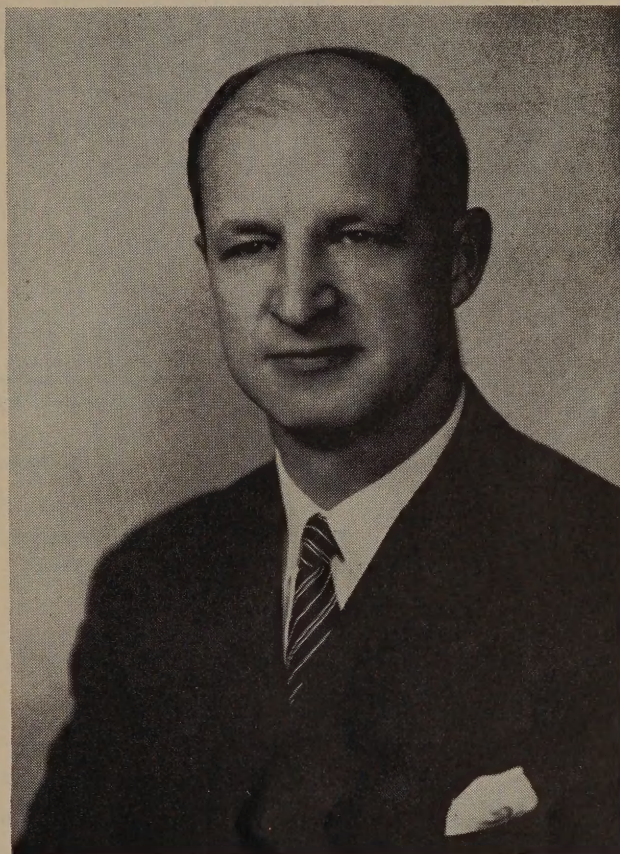
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To secure intelligent service to the school system requires the selection by the voters of a particular type of citizen for school board membership. In many respects this position calls for a higher and more intelligent type of community service than is called for in any other branch of community work.

We, of Fort Benton High School, feel that we are fortunate in having the proper type and superior caliber of men as members of the Board of Education of School District No. One, Chouteau County, Fort Benton, Montana.

To chairman Fred Arnst, Messrs. Ingolf Birkeland, Grover Schmidt Sr., William Morrison, Fred Scarlett and clerk, Halder Hansen we say, "Thanks to you" for your untiring efforts on our behalf.

SCHOOL BOARD

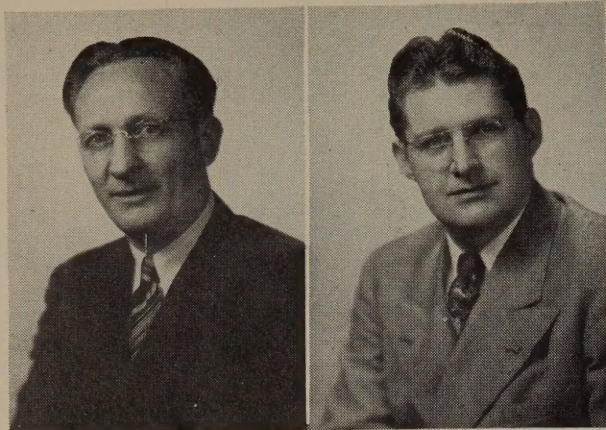


It is my hope that in the years to come that the members of the Class of 1947 will bring further honors and pride in accomplishment to Fort Benton High School.

If, in a few years hence, we may know that people are proud to have you as a neighbor; if, we may know that many call you "friend", then shall we of Fort Benton High School feel that your years with us were well spent.

ROBERT H. WYLIE

SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE



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**B. S. University of North
Dakota**

Montana State University

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Algebra, Geometry**

JACK W. McGUIN

**B. M. Montana State
University**

Band and Chorus



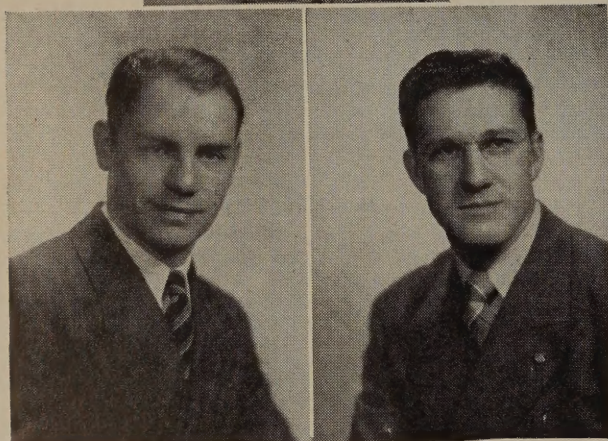
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**B. A. University of Utah
Normal School**

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of Education**

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College, St. Louis,
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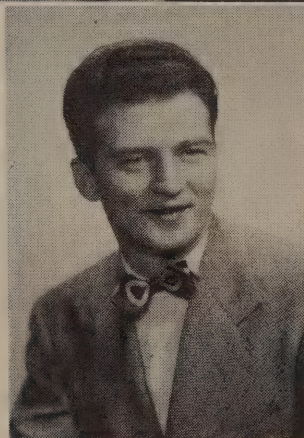
College of Physical
Education, Chicago,
Illinois

Shorthand I, II
Typing I, II



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Montana State University
Athletics, General Math.



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U. S. History, English II

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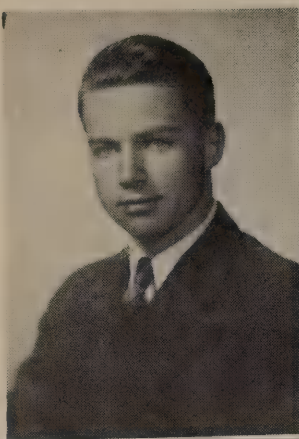
Mr. Smith and Mr. Bokovoy are the custodians of our school. They have the job of keeping the school and its grounds clean, and this is quite a job. This necessitates their being at school even though the students may be enjoying a vacation.

Mr. Smith has been custodian for several years; to all the students he is called "Charlie." Mr. Bokovoy has been in the system three years. Let's give these tireless workers the credit they deserve.

CUSTODIANS

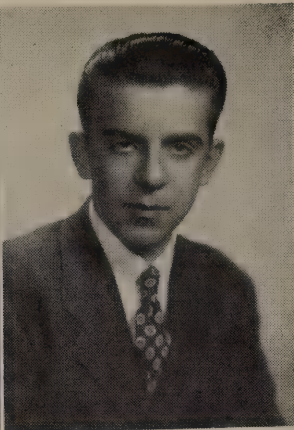


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ALBERS, BILL

General Course
Thespians 4
Speech Class Plays 4
Seven Sisters 4
FFA 1, 2, 3, 4



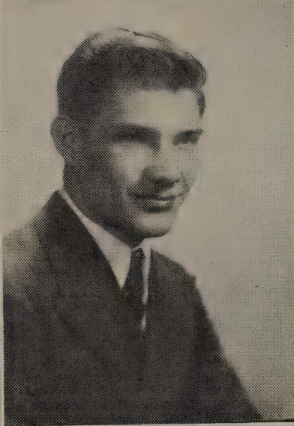
ALLEN, LLOYD

General Course
Chorus 2
Band 2
FFA 1, 2, 3, 4
Lyre's Club 4
Music Club 3
Speech Class Plays 4
Thespians 4
All State Band 3
Inter-mural Basketball 1, 2, 3
Pep Band 3



ANDERSON, MAXINE

Scientific Course
Band 1, 3, 4
Music Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Pep Band 2, 3, 4
Lyre's Club 4
Press Club 4
Cannon Report 3, 4
Mixed Chorus 1
Trio 3, 4
Girls' Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4



ARCHER, DON

General Course
Football 1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball 2, 3
Athletic Club 1, 2, 3, 4



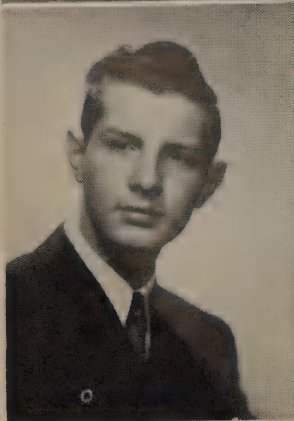
BATCHELOR, MELVIN

General Course
Football 3, 4
Athletic Club 3, 4
FFA 3, 4
Pep Club 3
Inter-mural Basketball 1



BIRKELAND, PHYLLIS

Scientific Course
Class Sec.-Treas. 1
Music Club Sec. 3
Student Council 3, 4
Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Girls' Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Thespians 4
Cannon Report 3, 4
Quill and Scroll 3, 4
Charley's Aunt 3
Speech Class Plays 4
Annual Editor 4



BRADLEY, DON

Transferred from Great Falls 4
General Course
Speech Class Plays 4



BRAMLETTE, JACKIE

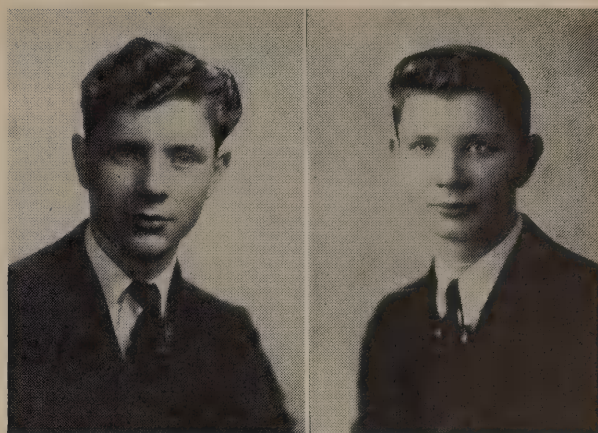
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Scientific Course
Class Secretary 4
Band 4
Annual Staff 4
Thespians 4
Cannon Report 4
Quill and Scroll 4
Press Club 4
Seven Sisters 4
Speech Class Plays 4

CRAWFORD, WAYNE

General Course
FFA 1, 2, 3, 4
Projection Booth 1

CRAWFORD, WESLEY

General Course
FFA 1, 2, 3, 4
Projection Booth 1, 2

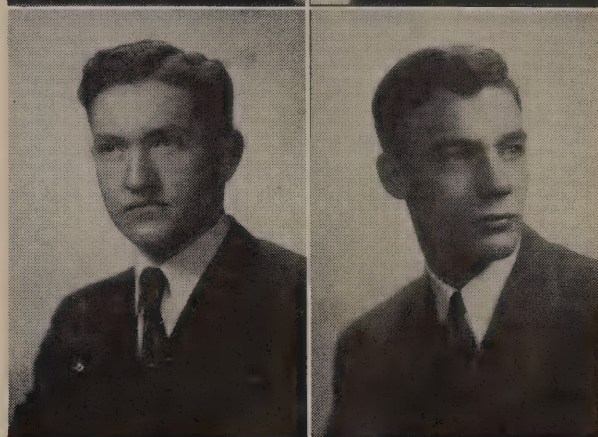


CLARK, KENNETH

General Course
FFA 1, 2, 3, 4
Thespians 3, 4
Charley's Aunt 3
Speech Class Plays 3

DEDMAN, EARL

Scientific Course
Intermural Basketball 1,2,3,4
Cannon Report 3, 4
Thespians 4
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Track 2, 3, 4
Athletic Club 2, 3, 4
Press Club 3, 4
Student Council 4
Basketball Manager 4

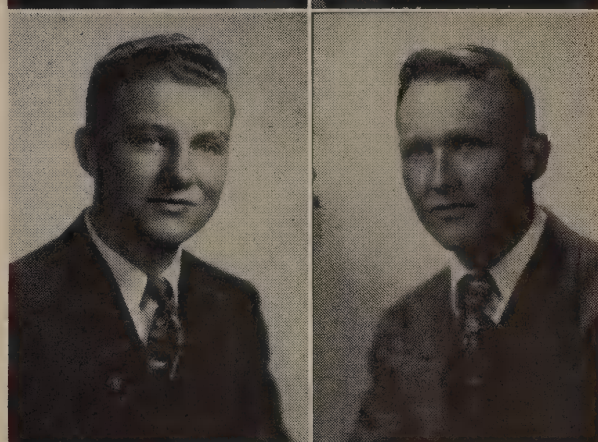


DECK, JOHN

Scientific Course
Intermural Basketball 1, 2, 3
Cannon Report 3
Press Club 3
Charley's Aunt 3
Speech Class Plays 4
Projection Booth 3, 4
Thespians 3, 4
Oratorical Contest 4

DECK, ROBERT

General Course
FFA 1, 2, 3, 4

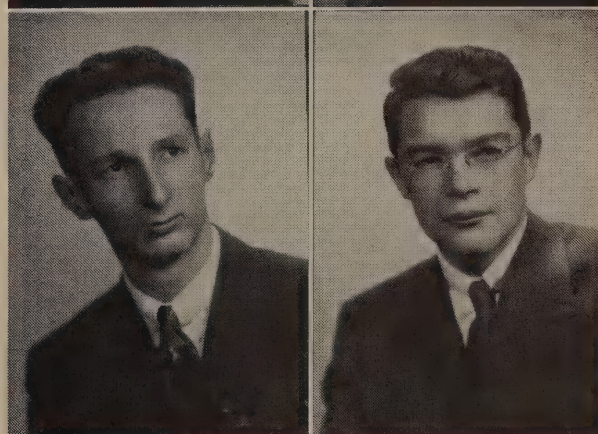


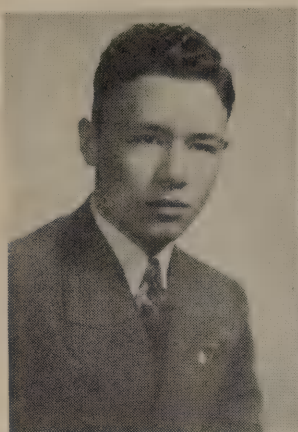
DOLL, ROBERT

General Course
Band 1, 3, 4
Music Club 3, 4
Lyre's Club 4
Student Council 3
Charley's Aunt 3
Dance Orchestra 1, 4
Speech Class Plays 4

ELLIOT, JAMES

Scientific Course
Class President 1
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Football 1, 2, 3, 4
Athletic Club 2, 3, 4
Charley's Aunt 3
Manager Track 3





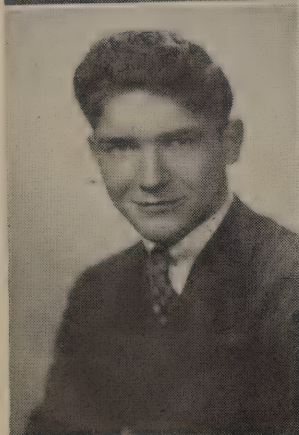
ELLIOTT, FRANKLIN

Scientific Course
Chorus 1
Charley's Aunt 3
Debate Club 4
Thespians 3, 4
Projection Booth 2, 3, 4
Speech Class Plays 4
Cannon Report 4
Oratorical Contest 4
Intermural Basketball 2



ENNIS, MARY ELLEN

Scientific Course
Cheerleader 1, 2, 3, 4
Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Music Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Lyre's Club 4
Cannon Report 4
Charley's Aunt 3
Annual Staff 4
Declamation Contest 3
Thespians 3, 4
Press Club 4



FRIELING, GEORGE

Scientific Course
Annual Staff 4
Student Council 3, 4
Pep Club 3, 4
Athletic Manager 2
Athletic Club 2, 3, 4
Cannon Report 4
Press Club 4
Intermural Basketball 2, 3, 4



FRIELING, MARJORIE

General Course
Music Club 1, 3, 4
Girls' Chorus 1, 3, 4
Lyre's Club 4
Baton 3, 4
Speech Class Plays 3, 4
Home Ec Club 1, 2, 3, 4



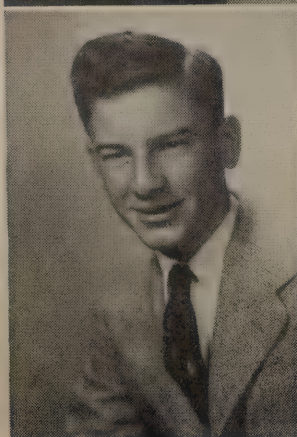
FRIELING, ALTHA

Commercial Course
Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Chorus 2
Student Council 4
Music Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Annual Staff 4
Cannon Report Staff 4
Carnival Queen 4
Pep Band 3, 4
Class Treasurer 4



FRIELING, MARGARET

General Course
Music Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Home Ec Club 1, 2
Baton 3, 4
Lyre's Club 4
Speech Class Plays 4
Pep Band 1, 2



GRANGER, JAMES

Transferred from Bigfork 2
Scientific Course
Track 3, 4
Pep Club 4



GUY, RUTH

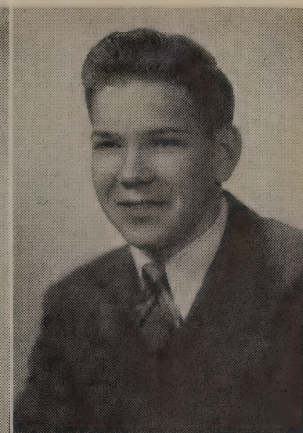
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Commercial Course
Music Club 3
Chorus 3

HANKINS, BERTIE JUNE

Commercial Course
Cannon Report 3, 4
Girls' Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Home Ec Club 1, 2
Pep Band 2, 3, 4
Lyre's Club 4
Press Club 3, 4
Speech Class Plays 3
Quill and Scroll 4

HOTVEDT, ELMER

Transferred from Saco 3
Scientific Course
Football 3, 4
Basketball 3, 4
Track 3
Seven Sisters 4
Annual Staff 4
Carnival King 4
Athletic Club 3, 4
Speech Class Plays 4



HEINEN, MARGARET

General Course
Charley's Aunt 3
Seven Sisters 4
Quill and Scroll 3, 4
Thespians 3, 4
Declamation-Oration
Contest 3, 4
Press Club 3, 4
Cannon Report 3, 4
Debate 4
Annual Staff 4

HUDELSON, VONCILE

Commercial Course
Cheerleader 2
Chorus 1, 3, 4
Home Ec Club 1
Pep Club 3, 4
Cannon Report 3, 4
Seven Sisters 4
Press Club 4
Speech Class Plays 4

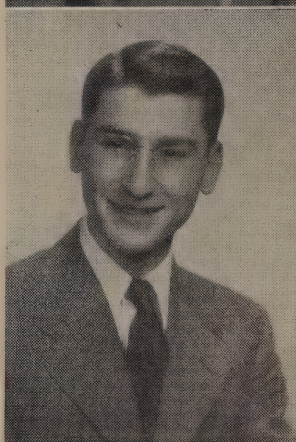


KELLEY, ROBERT

Scientific Course
Football 2, 3, 4
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Co-Captain Basketball 4
Class Vice-President 2, 4
Chorus 2
Music Club 2
Student Council 4
Track 3, 4
Charley's Aunt 3

KING, VANITA

Commercial Course
Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Music Club 3, 4
Pep Band 2, 3, 4
Lyre's Club 4
Debate Club 4
Press Club 4
Cannon Report 3, 4
Annual Staff 4
Student Council 4
Quill and Scroll 4



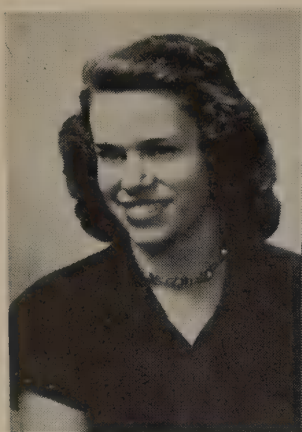
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General Course
Home Ec Club 2, 4
Music Club 3, 4
Chorus 2, 3, 4
Flag Swinging 4
Speech Class Plays 4

LANE, OLIVE

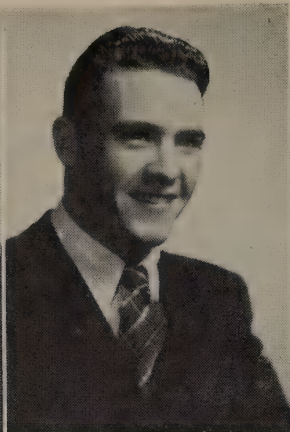
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Press Club 3
Chorus 3
Music Club 3
Cannon Report 3, 4
Thespians 3, 4
Seven Sisters 4
Charley's Aunt 3
High School Week 3
Quill and Scroll 4





LAULO, MARJORIE

Commercial Course
Band 2
Chorus 4
Music Club 4
Cannon Report 3, 4
Press Club 3, 4
Home Ec Club 1
Cheerleader 3, 4
Pep Club 3, 4



LeFURGEY, HOWARD

General Course
"B" Basketball 2, 3, 4
FFA 1, 2, 4



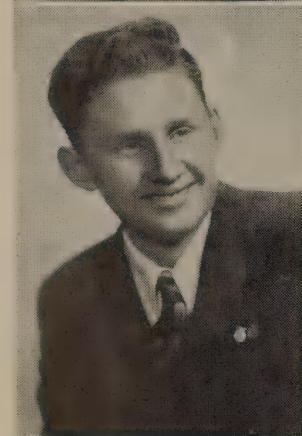
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Commercial Course
Music Club 1, 3, 4
Thespians 3, 4
Chorus 1, 3, 4
Oratorical Contest 4
Speech Class Plays 3, 4
Charley's Aunt 3
Press Club 3, 4
Lyre's Club 4
Cannon Report 3, 4
Annual Staff 4
Quill and Scroll 4



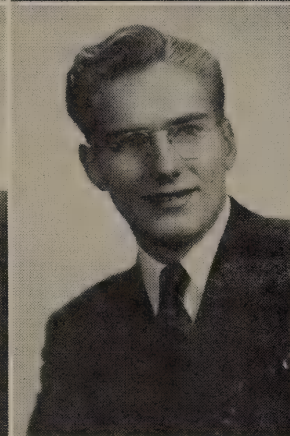
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General Course
Music Club 2, 3, 4
Lyre's Club 4
Speech Class Plays 4
Debate Club 4
Football 3, 4
FFA 2
Thespians 4
Annual Staff 4
Student Council 4



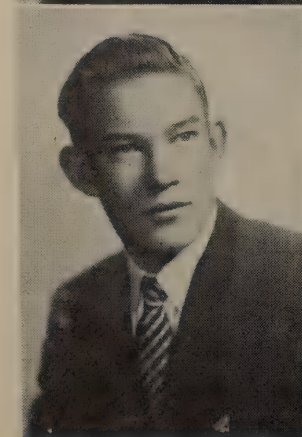
McKEEVER, LYLE

General Course
FFA 1, 2, 3, 4
Chorus 1
Projection Booth 4
FFA President 4



NOTTINGHAM, GEORGE

Scientific Course
"B" Basketball 2
Football 2, 3, 4
Cannon Report 3, 4
Thespians 4
Seven Sisters 4
Track 2, 3
Athletic Club 2, 3, 4
Student Council 4
Band 2, 3, 4
Sec.-Treas. Athletic Club



PAUL, GORDON

Transferred from Great Falls 3
General Course
Basketball 4
Football 4
Athletic Club 4
Pep Club 3



ROWE, NORMA

Transferred from South Bend, Indiana 4
General Course

SCHULTZ, RENA

Transferred from
Highwood 4
General Course
Thespians 4
Seven Sisters 4

SCHULTZ, SELMA

General Course
Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Lyre's Club 4
Music Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Student Council 4
Debate Club 4
Cannon Report 3, 4
Class Secretary 3
Annual Staff 4
Speech Class Plays 4
Pep Club 3, 4
Home Ec Club 1, 2

**SERIGHT, NAOMI**

General Course
Home Ec Club 1, 2, 4
Press Club 3, 4
Cannon Report 3, 4
Music Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Twirling 3, 4
Lyre's Club 4
Home Ec Club President 4

SMALL, CHRISTOPHER

Scientific Course
Quill and Scroll 3, 4
Thespians 4
Class President 4
Athletics 1, 2, 3, 4
Athletic Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Seven Sisters 4
Annual Staff 4
Student Council 3
Press Club 3, 4
Cannon Report 3, 4
Speech Class Plays 3

**SMITH, PHYLLIS**

Scientific Course
Home Ec Club 1
Annual Staff 4
Quill and Scroll 3, 4
Thespians 4
Seven Sisters 4
Speech Class Plays 4
Chorus 3, 4
Pep Club 3, 4
Cannon Report 3, 4
Press Club 3, 4

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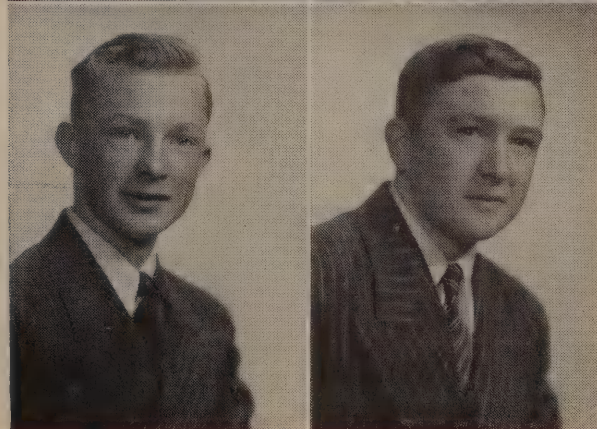
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Band 1, 2
Music Club 1, 2
Thespians 3, 4
Pep Club 4
Student Council 4
Charley's Aunt 3
Annual Staff 4

**STEVENS, OTTO**

Scientific Course
Class President 2, 3
Student Council 4
Athletic Club 3, 4
Basketball Manager 4
Football Manager 3, 4
Debate Club 4
Press Club 3, 4
Cannon Report 3, 4
Seven Sisters 4
Speech Class Plays 4
Annual Staff 4

TAYLOR, ROBERT

General Course
Speech Class Plays 4
FFA 1, 2, 3, 4





URTON, ROBERTA

General Course
Music Club 1, 3, 4
Band 1, 3, 4
Mixed Chorus 1
Home Ec Club 1, 4



VINION, BETTY LOU

Scientific Course
Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Thespians 3, 4
Quill and Scroll 3, 4
Annual Staff 4
Speech Class Plays 3, 4
Cannon Report 3, 4
Lyre's Club 4
Music Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Seven Sisters 4
Press Club 3, 4
Heisey Award 3



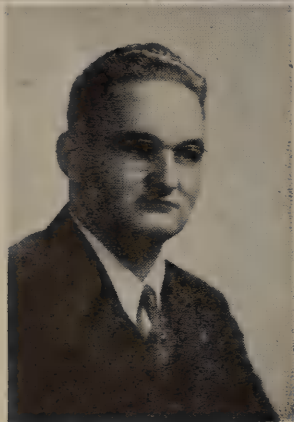
WEBSTER, MARVELLE

Transferred from Great
Falls 4
General Course
Oratorical Contest 4
Speech Class Plays 4
Pep Club 4



WILLSON, DORIS

Music Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Cannon Report 4
Lyre's Club 4
Annual Staff 4
Girls' Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Seven Sisters 4
Speech Class Plays 3
Class Secretary 2
Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Press Club 4
Pep Club 3, 4
Quill and Scroll 4



WOOD, THOMAS

General Course
FFA Treasurer 1, 2
FFA President 3, 4
Movie Projection 1, 2, 3, 4

CLASS SPONSOR: Mr. Charles Williams

CLASS MOTTO: We leave the Halls of School to enter The Corridors of Life.

CLASS COLORS: Cardinal and White

CLASS FLOWER: American Beauty Rose

FRESHMAN YEAR

President James Elliot
Vice-president Chris Small
Secretary-treasurer Phyllis Birkeland
Sponsor Miss Mildred Glover

The seniors of today are the freshmen who, four short years ago, entered the halls of Fort Benton High School.

For initiation they were compelled to wear baggy gunny sacks, overalls, and sugar sacks tied around the feet.

Chris Small made the "A" basketball squad, Mary Ellen Ennis was a cheerleader and Rena Schultz was a baton twirler this first year.

SOPHOMORE YEAR

President Otto Stevens
Vice-president Bob Kelley
Secretary-treasurer Doris Willson
Sponsor Miss Patricia Berry

One of the highlights of the Sophomore year was a "Superstition Dance" held on Friday, April 13.

There were seven Sophomores on the football team and three on the "A" basketball squad. One was manager of football and one was a cheerleader.

JUNIOR YEAR

President Otto Stevens
Vice-president Leonard Spear
Secretary-treasurer Selma Schultz
Sponsor Mr. Royal Morrison

In their Junior year four students became members of Quill and Scroll and eight were initiated into Thespians. The Juniors were also represented on the Student Council, "A" basketball, as twirlers, cheerleaders and as carnival candidates. Chris Small was chosen carnival king.

The annual Junior Prom was given on April 26, 1946 with the theme being "Penthouse Serenade."

On April 18, the Junior play was presented. It was a comedy-farce entitled "Charley's Aunt" and directed by Miss Glover.

SENIOR YEAR

President Chris Small
Vice-president Bob Kelley
Secretary Jackie Bramlette
Treasurer Altha Frieling
Sponsor Mr. Charles Williams

This fourth and last year proved to be the busiest of all four years. The year began with "Frosh" initiation the week of September 18.

On December 20 the Seniors gave a "Formal Senior Ball" using the holiday theme for decorations.

April 23 found the school extremely quiet as the Seniors celebrated their annual "Sneak Day." Class night was given on May 7 in honor of the Seniors of 1947. May 18 was the day of Baccalaureate Services and the long awaited Commencement Exercises were May 21. Dean J. W. Maucker, of the Education School, Montana State University was the principal speaker.

Good luck to the forthcoming Seniors—We know you'll miss us.

SENIOR CLASS HISTORY

The new radio station, which has been set up in Fort Benton, broadcasts daily happenings of that renowned group known as the "Seniors of '47." As a sample of what you might hear almost any day, we have selected the following news high-lights:

OTTO STEVENS, heavy weight boxing champion of the world, has just returned to his home town for the first time since he left to battle Joe Lewis. As you remember, OTTO won in the 19-round decision bout.

BETTY LOU VINION has just won the title of "Miss America" for the third time. BETTY says from now on she plans to leave the competition to the younger girls. She wishes to make it clear, however, that she is not quitting because of age.

SELMA SCHULTZ MURRAY has given up her operatic career to remain at home with her illustrious husband, BOB. It looks as though BOB is going to go back to debating to earn a living.

You may remember PHYLLIS BIRKELAND as an extremely industrious girl in high school, but we understand that she has been on retirement for some time. PHYLLIS says that most of the money which makes her old age placid and free from financial worry was paid her for her services as treasurer of the Associated Students of FBHS.

FRANKLIN ELLIOTT, noted author of the Buck Rogers stories, long ago gave up his ambition to become "A Man of Science." The stories pay off handsomely and allow one to enjoy the pleasures of society as well.

NORMA ROWE recently became the wife of a wealthy Loma rancher. NORMA is living in a huge mansion, and says she doesn't know what to do with all the room, as she isn't used to so much space.

MARGARET HEINEN, who always wanted to be an editor, has just accepted a position as head of the Physical Culture magazine. MARGARET tells us that ever since she got down to a size 11 she hasn't eaten anything but lettuce.

WAYNE CRAWFORD, chief of police, has been on 24 hour duty guarding the armored car in which repose the trophies and medals won by CHRIS SMALL. No matter how low his bank account gets, CHRIS can always consider himself worth a half million in gold plated bric-a-brac.

ROBERT TAYLOR learned not to write his name on his new car the hard way. When shopping in Great Falls the other day he returned to his car only to find it surrounded by hundreds of women—all trying to get a souvenir. You see, they had mistaken the car for that of the movie star. In the scuffle that ensued ROBERT lost his two remaining teeth.

ROBERTA URTON and JEANIE KINGSLAND not only were inseparable companions in high school; but are together now also. Both girls have set sail for the wilds of Brazil, where they intend to become missionaries.

When MARY ELLEN ENNIS accompanied her doctor husband to Sweden she found so many blondes in the country that, just to be different, she has dyed her golden tresses a dark brown.

MARJORIE LAULO is glad her commercial teacher taught her carefully, because in hard times she doubles as secretary for her lawyer husband.

MARVIE WEBSTER BRADLEY is teaching her 3 year old twins long division so that they will be able to help their father at the bank. DON, as you know, has held the position of president since his graduation from high school.

EARL DEDMAN is living with his eldest daughter because he found that his job as dentist was as hard as pulling teeth.

JAMIE ELLIOT, the renowned P. E. instructor, has lost his job with Harvard University, because they refuse to employ a man who has been married 9 times.

KENNETH CLARK, the roving news reporter of Goosebill, recently moved to Kershaw because he found that his territory was getting too big to cover alone.

WESLEY CRAWFORD has developed an animal with two tails. He believes it is a boon for the makers of ox tail soup.

You may never have known it but ELMER HOTVEDT is quite a connoisseur of feminine beauty. Among the exotic Hollywood beauties for whom he has made his famous "Hats by Hotvedt" is BERTIE JUNE HANKINS. Her recent movie is a remake of one of Charles Boyer's earlier hits. In this movie BERTIE plays opposite another local boy, BILL ALBERS. BILL has been chosen the screen's greatest lover by a recent Gallup Poll.

PHYLLIS SMITH has just published her fourth encyclopedia dealing with "The Happenings of Peter Rabbit."

BOB DOLL, the musical farmer, is still driving the same old jalopy which saw him through his days at FBHS. The car is getting a little old, BOB admits, but until his 12 children start earning money it's all he can afford.

CLASS PROPHECY

GEORGE NOTTINGHAM has won nation-wide acclaim as the greatest finger painter of all time. GEORGE acquired priceless skills in this field as a child when he made mud-pies by the dozen.

The "Mrs. America" title was given to MARJORIE FRIELING this year. Too busy with her thriving family of 14 to attend the ceremony, MARJORIE sent her thanks by rocket.

Because she is convinced that she leads a dog's life, VONCILE HUDELSON has been conducting a crusade for kindness to dumb animals.

RUTH GUY has joined Spike Jones' band as vocalist. She was chosen over 200 other contestants because her voice more nearly suited Spike's unique orchestrations.

JIM GRANGER has finally given up his life of hunting and fishing because it was too strenuous and he has decided to retire.

VANITA KING has accepted a position as foreman of the Great Northern Railroad. You may see her walking down Front Street almost any afternoon swinging her lunch-pail and singing "I Been Workin' on de Railroad."

LLOYD ALLEN was chosen Man-of-the-Year because of his dexterity in tight-rope walking.

Among the ten highest paid people last year was DORIS WILLSON, who has made a fortune from her letter-writing service. Despite the fact that DORIS has written thousands of letters for lonely women, we are told that her own personal correspondence is handled by JACKIE BRAMLETTE. JACKIE also censors all outgoing mail.

Metro-Goldwyn-WOODS is producing a new movie based on farm jokes written by TOM WOODS, who also owns part interest in the business.

When the Class of '47 had a recent reunion the only girl who had not married at least once was NAOMI SERIGHT. She has taken up track as a hobby so that she will be able to run down any likely male.

GENEVIEVE LENINGTON has opened a school on the west coast to teach "The Art of Flirting" to those who are not so well versed in the art.

RENA SCHULTZ has found her life so monotonous that she has begun working at the Pepper Pot in Loma, just to add some spice.

LYLE McKEEVER, who used to be known as quite a speed demon around here, has just won first place in the National Soap-box Derby.

MELVIN BATCHELOR, the prosperous farmer, has had to go on relief in order to pay his income tax.

The versatile Casanova who has made thousands of hearts stand still, BOB KELLEY, says he has signed off women. "Now is the time to do it," says BOB, "or I may find myself not able to do without them."

MARGARET FRIELING is operating a bingo booth on the roof of the post office. With the help of ROBERT DECK, who makes sure that all the players turn in the beans after each game, she has been making quite a success of this business venture.

In an interview some time ago the First Lady, OLIVE LANE, revealed that shortly after she decided it was impossible to make a million dollars she had met and married the President. "After all," says OLIVE, "it was one way of getting a yacht."

HOWARD LefURGEY has been chosen, by seven famous artists, as the man with the world's most perfect profile. HOWARD says he wonders if it stops at the chin.

MAXINE ANDERSON heads the branch of the Public Health Service in our state that cares for angora cats. Her loyal co-worker, JOHN DECK, was injured in an explosion recently while trying to dehydrate water.

LEONARD SPEAR, following the tendency of his ancestor, Shake, has just published a book of sonnets on the love life of an amoeba.

Chief Justice "CORKY" PAUL has just declared the prohibiting of loaded dice to be illegal. "After all," the somber faced judge said, "anybody ought to be able to have a little, good, honest fun."

A native Montanan has won the title of champion weight-lifter of the world. This year's winner is ALTHA FRIELING. Not since ten years ago when DON ARCHER won the title by carrying his wife across the stage has a local man or woman won the honor.

A good example of a happily married man is GEORGE FRIELING, who can't tear himself away from his family more than once a year. That is the day he spends in town stocking up on tobacco and jokes for the rest of the year.

CLASS PROPHECY

BILL ALBERS wills his jeep to JIM HARDY. You can take more girls around that way, Jim.

LLOYD ALLEN wills his ability to comb his hair in that beautiful pompadour to WILLIS MYERS. Says Lloyd, "Hair oil does it."

MAXINE ANDERSON wills her talent in athletics to CARLEY BRAMLETTE. See how slim and healthy it keeps her?

DONALD ARCHER wills his quiet manner to TEDDY TUCKER who really doesn't need it for he is never heard talking above a whisper.

MELVIN BATCHELOR wills his love for studying to VERA SMITH. Melvin says, "Put your books away, Vera."

PHYLLIS BIRKELAND wills her nickname, "Birke", to her sister BEVERLY. Says 'Birke IV' to 'Birke V', "carry on the good name."

DON BRADLEY wills his ability to go with the same girl for more than six months to WALLY MURRAY. "It's easy," says the wise Bradley, "I just give her her own way."

JACKIE BRAMLETTE wills her manner of the Mexican jumping bean to PATTY STEWART. "Patty, you'll lead an active life from now on!"

KENNETH CLARK wills his smooth voice to EARL GRANGER. Oh, will Earl make love sweet now!

WAYNE and WESLEY CRAWFORD will their ability to confuse the teachers and classmates to all the future twins of F. B. H. S. "It's more fun," they say.

JOHN DECK wills his brains to PAUL GESSAMAN. "Thought you might want to change your A+'s to A++', Paul?"

ROBERT DECK wills his farming talent to DON ROBINSON. Says farmer Robert to the future farmer, Don, "Please keep the chickens fed."

EARL DEDMAN wills his fast feet to BOB FISHER. This way, Bob can keep away from females (if he wants to!)

BOB DOLL wills his trumpet and music to his brother JACK. "All it takes now is practice, Jack."

JIM ELLIOT wills his happy-go-lucky way to ABBIE BAILEY. Jim has more fun that way.

FRANKLIN ELLIOTT wills his scientific mind to ARCHIE MEEKS. Archie will look marvelous behind all those test tubes.

MARY ELLEN ENNIS wills her farming ability, faithfulness, and her pug nose (which were willed to her by other seniors in the preceding years) to JANET REICHELT. "Use them well, Janet."

ALTHA FRIELING wills her chair of solo clarinet to PHYLLIS WILLSON. Altha says, "No squawks now, Phyllis."

GEORGE FRIELING wills his girl, Elna, to no one. He wants to keep her for his own. (Smart boy, George.)

MARGARET FRIELING wills her naturally black hair to all the girls who have ever dreamed theirs a nightly raven instead of brown or blonde. "The line forms at the right, girls."

MARJORIE FRIELING wills her ability to get a diamond to MARGARET FARRINGTON. "All you need, Margaret, is to find the right guy."

JIM GRANGER wills his height to NORMAN SMITH. Says the tall Granger, "It sure helps to see over the clouds."

RUTH GUY wills luck of coming to class for only one period a day to the next year's Senior class. The only time you can get away with it is when you are a senior.

CLASS WILL

BERTIE JUNE HANKINS wills her beautiful eyes to EMMA JEAN ROWE. "Oh, is it ever fun to wink with them!" says Bertie.

MARGARET HEINEN wills her skill for designing clothes. "The only trouble," we heard Margaret say, "is that no one will wear them."

ELMER HOTVEDT wills his many trips to Saco to see his girl to any boy who has an out-of-town girl. It runs into money, though.

VONCILE HUDELSON wills her ability to play boogie woogie on the piano to RITA LOUNDAGIN. "It might come in handy when you play for the dances, Rita."

BOB KELLEY decided that he wants to keep all his talents and skills for himself. Says Bob, "Let's have one perfect fellow around here."

VANITA KING wills her voice to the next year's girls' chorus. "You will have sweet music now, girls."

JEANIE KINGSLAND wills her curly hair to all the girls (and boys) who have to put their hair up every night. "Thanks so much for your kindness, Jeanie."

OLIVE LANE wills her speed in typing and shorthand to MARDELLE ROWE. "Now you can pass your 90 word test in typing."

MARJORIE LAULO wills the gang which gathers at her house to anyone who has a big house and a phonograph.

HOWARD LeFURGEY wills his neat physique to TOMMY BRAMLETTE. "Do the girls ever love those tall, broad shouldered he-men, Tommy!"

GENEVIEVE LENINGTON wills her cute smile to MABEL BAILEY. "You should see how life brightens up when the smile breaks through, Mabel."

BOB MURRAY wills his debating skills to BOB MONTGOMERY. Resolved: That Bob carry on the good work.

LYLE McKEEVER wills his wonderful new car to anyone who will trade him one just like it. He isn't so dumb.

GEORGE NOTTINGHAM wills his artistic talent to next year's biology class. "Won't it come in handy when drawing grasshoppers and crawfish for class?"

GORDON PAUL wills his rides to Geraldine to ARNIE CAMPBELL who never, never goes there. "Should go sometime, Arnie, it's a very nice town."

NORMA ROWE wills her cuteness to all the girls of F. B. H. S. Then it can be said that through the halls of F. B. H. S. walk beautiful babes.

LEONARD SPEAR wills his love for rest to JIM ARNST, his pal. "I doubt if Jim will want it since he is so active now."

OTTO STEVENS wills his office of president of the Student Council to all the political leaders of school. "May you succeed as well as he did!"

ROBERT TAYLOR wills his movie star name to anyone who wants to create interest. It's more fun to see the people run when they hear, "Robert Taylor is here!"

ROBERTA URTON wills her love for horses to JULIA SIEBENALER. "Julia, you will be able to get around a lot cheaper that way—no gas to buy."

BETTY LOU VINION wills her job at the drug store to anyone who is brave enough to attempt it. You can get plenty of ice cream that way.

MARVIE WEBSTER wills her public speaking skill to JANIS NELSON. Marvie says it also helps her getting out of jams at home and school.

DORIS WILLSON wills her talent for staying true to the army to all girls who have fellows there. Doris smiles and says, "It's worth it when your man finally gets home."

TOM WOOD wills his theater in Red Lodge to RAMON ARCHER. With it you can make your million fast, Ramon!

CLASS WILL

| NAME | NICKNAME | AMBITION | HOBBY |
|-----------------------|------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| BILL ALBERS | Sweetpea | be in town more | runnin' around |
| LLOYD ALLEN | Stooge | be a flyer | collecting stamps |
| MAXINE ANDERSON | Max | laboratory technician | photography |
| DON ARCHER | Archer | hubba-hubba | looking for that certain one |
| MELVIN BATCHELOR | Batch | be a successful farmer | hunting and fishing |
| PHYLLIS BIRKELAND | Birke | interior decorator | loafing |
| DONALD BRADLEY | Don | be happy and successful | sports |
| JACQUELYNNE BRAMLETTE | Jackie | surgical nurse | reading |
| KENNETH CLARK | Swede | news reporter | target shooting |
| WAYNE CRAWFORD | Wesley | farming | building projects |
| WESLEY CRAWFORD | Wayne | ranching | projection work |
| ROBERT DECK | Scrappy | working | taking pictures |
| JOHN DECK | J. D. Deck | retire at 30 | hunting and fishing |
| EARL DEDMAN | Oil | to travel | photography |
| ROBERT DOLL | Bob | be a successful farmer | playing for dances |
| JAMES ELLIOT | Sam | stay single as long as possible | doing as little as possible |
| FRANKLIN ELLIOTT | Frankie | go to M. I. T. | flying |
| MARY ELLEN ENNIS | Pudgie | obstetrical nurse | reading |
| ALTHA FRIELING | Al | secretary | jerking sodas |
| GEORGE FRIELING | | jack of all trades | baseball |
| MARGARET FRIELING | Marge | get married and have 12 kids | dancing |
| MARJORIE FRIELING | Marge | make someone a good wife | cooking and sewing |
| JAMES GRANGER | Thumbs | be successful in business | hunting and fishing |
| RUTH GUY | Rudy | nurse | |
| BERTIE JUNE HANKINS | Bertie | interior decorator | collecting odd gadgets |
| ELMER HOTVEDT | E. J. | rich bachelor | hunting and fishing |
| MARGARET HEINEN | Marga | a successful writer | collecting records |
| VONCILE HUDELSON | Vonnie | travel | reading |
| ROBERT KELLEY | Bob | marry a rich woman | sports |
| VANITA KING | Vani | secretary and singing | collecting china dogs |
| JEANIE KINGSLAND | Shorty | beauty operator | dancing |
| OLIVE LANE | Ollie | to succeed in everything | art |
| MARJORIE LAULO | Marge | Dane Clark's private secretary | playing the phonograph |
| HOWARD LeFURGEY | Plute | stay single | airplanes |
| GENEVIEVE LENINGTON | Genny | go to college | playing the piano |
| ROBERT MURRAY | Bob | be a happy mortician | guns |
| LYLE McKEEVER | Radar | just to graduate | flying |
| GEORGE NOTTINGHAM | Nottinhead | be an artist | drawing and painting pictures |
| GORDON PAUL | Cork | to graduate | snooker |
| NORMA ROWE | Norm | | missing the school bus |
| NAOMI SERIGHT | Serite | Home Ec teacher | collecting match covers |
| RENA SCHULTZ | Snookie | nurse | collecting souvenirs |
| SELMA SCHULTZ | Charlie | go to college | collecting china cats |
| CHRISTOPHER SMALL | Chris | go through college | keeping a sport scrapbook |
| PHYLLIS SMITH | Smythe | see the world | reading |
| LEONARD SPEAR | Len | get rich quick | washing dishes |
| OTTO STEVENS | Ollie | dentist | playing cards |
| ROBERT TAYLOR | Bob | be a successful farmer | building tractor cabs |
| ROBERTA URTON | Bert | be minus of worries | horses |
| BETTY LOU VINION | Gabby Lou | write radio programs | getting into mischief |
| MARVELLE WEBSTER | Marvie | write a book | collecting books |
| DORIS WILLSON | Willie | go to college | writing letters to Don |
| THOMAS WOOD | Tom | projection machines | taking pictures |

SENIOR GLIMPSES

WHERE FOUND

Chouteau House
airport
commercial room
Rexall Drug store
corner drug store
office
drug store
commercial room
Great Falls
drug store
drug store
shop
airport
not at home
band room
in gym
playing ping-pong
bank
Breiters'
Coopers'
Fred's car
Home Ec room
drug store
bank
commercial room
Rexall Drug store
commercial room
1946 Chevrolet
drug store
commercial room
Urtons'
at Lewis-Towner office
call 85
room 40
home
Arnst's Snack Bar
Chouteau House
wit da gang
street corner
Laulos'
Rexall Drug store
court house
around
drug store
at home
Snack Bar
Snack Bar
Great Falls
anyplace
Friendly Rexall Store
drug store
home
theatre

WITH WHOM

Lyle McKeever
Frank Elliott
Bertie and Vanita
anyone I can find
Otto Stevens
me, myself, and I
Marvie
Phyllis, Betty Lou, Mary Ellen
Carol
the gang
B. B. Taylor
Lyle McKeever
Frankie
the gang
everyone

John Deck
Jack (when he's home)
Betty Breiter
Elna Cooper
Fred
Cecil
Bun
Leo
Vanita, Doris, Max, Selma
Archie
my friends, natch
Jr.
the gang
Berie and Maxine
Ruth
Margaret
Vonnice or Norma
FFA gang
Kathleen
Selma Schultz
that gang
myself
myself
with H. L. L.
Bob Rucker
Jen, Delores, Bob
Doris
Bob Kelley
friends
Jim A.
Mary H.
FFA boys
Roy Thomas
Jackie, Phyllis, Mary Ellen
Don B.
Selma
FFA gang

FAVORITE SAYING

oh! heck
you old stooge you
oh! that's all right
wouldn't you be surprised!
I'll be darned
goon Brain
oh! my aching back
oh! by all means
you old stooge, you
oh! those teachers
hi! stooge

oh! fudge

I use them all
what the heck
I'm not so dumb
you take the cake
I'll be
darn the luck
plain laugh
quack-quack
oh! nuts
say, how about that
censored
I could tell you
I wouldn't know
fingey-dingey
hard to say
you think so, huh!

amazing isn't it?
hi!
oh! golly
I wouldn't say that
anything that just enters my mind
holy cow!
tough
I'll never tell
how should I know
well——
I wouldn't say that
get off my back
oh! skip it
oh! nuts
aw! succotash
well, whadda know
heaven forbid
oh! happy day
oh! I just can't

SENIOR GLIMPSES





JUNIORS

At the beginning of the school year, the Juniors elected the following officers: Wally Murray, president; Arnie Campbell, vice-president; Rita Loundagin, secretary; and Janis Nelson, treasurer. Mr. Jack McGuin was their sponsor.

The Juniors started out the new year as upperclassmen by going on a hay-ride. After riding for miles and getting off and walking whenever they came to a hill, they finally ended up at the park where they ate their lunch. They went home that night, tired but very happy.

A large number of the Junior boys took a part in both football and basketball activities. The Junior cheerleaders were Betty Breiter and Patty Stewart.

The first dance sponsored by the Juniors was the "Sadie Hawkins" day dance at which a pig was raffled off. This was one of the most entertaining dances of the school year. On February 28, the Junior Costume Ball was held. There was confetti, balloons, and serpentine. Prizes were given for the best costumes.

Seven Juniors were on the student council for the first semester. Many members of the class took part in band and chorus. Margaret Farrington and Burton Batchelor were their candidates for the Carnival king and queen.

Rita Loundagin was chosen to be editor of the Cannon Report next year. Several of the Juniors were prominent in debate.

After a very successful year of plays, dances, parties, and the Prom, the Juniors left school anxiously awaiting next year when they would be the mighty seniors of 1948.

JUNIOR CLASS HISTORY



ROW I: Raymond Allard, Jim Arnst, Abbie Mae Bailey, Burton Batchelor, Bernard Billups, Wayne Bradley, Betty Breiter

ROW II: Arnie Campbell, Evelyn Charters, Elna Cooper, Paul Craig, Elsie Dedman, Dorothy Elliot, Charles Embleton

ROW III: Margaret Farrington, Bob Fisher, Harry Foucher, John Jones, Robert Klay, Rita Loundagin, Archie Meeks

ROW IV: Ina Mae Milledge, Don Morger, Gloria Morrill, Wally Murray, Janis Nelson, Ruth Ratliff, Mardelle Rowe

ROW V: Julia Siebenaler, Vera Smith, Edythe Stallcup, Kathleen Walker, Mr. McGuin, Sponsor





SOPHOMORES

To begin the year the sophomores elected the following class officers: Leslie Smith, president; Ramon Archer, vice president; Earl Granger, secretary and Ailene Laulo, treasurer. Mrs. Briese was chosen sponsor and when she resigned Miss Frame took over her duties.

The boys were more active in sports this year. Several went out for football and those making their letters were Jere Cooper and Ramon Archer. Earl Granger was football manager and received a letter for this duty. Those active in basketball were Marvin Stevenson, Jere Cooper and Bob Lundy.

The girls of the class were active in baton twirling and flag swinging. Those who took part in the baton twirling were Phyllis Johnson, Shirley Johnson, Clarabelle Farmer, Mary Drewiske, Josephine Pugh, and Patty St. Peter. Aileen Laulo, June Scott, and Dolores Johnson were flag swingers. These girls helped to put on many colorful half-time shows at the basketball games. Carley Bramlette was the Sophomore cheerleader.

During the year they sponsored a Sophomore Talent Show, a Gingham and Jeans Dance in November and a Spring Fever Dance in March.

With the Spring Fever Dance the class of '49 ended their Sophomore year in Fort Benton High School.

SOPHOMORE CLASS HISTORY



ROW I: Virgil Allison, Ramon Archer, Dolores Bixby, Donovan Bixby, Bernadine Bogner, Carley Bramlette, Jack Coady

ROW II: Jere Cooper, Jack Doll, Mary Drewiske, Clarabelle Farmer, Paul Gessaman, Earl Granger, Shirley Guy

ROW III: Jennie Jenkinson, Delores Johnson, Phyllis Johnson, Shirley Johnson, Aileen Laulo, Marion Law, Ray McCafferty

ROW IV: Willis Myers, Kathryn Postill, Marilyn Prideaux, Josephine Pugh, Marcella Ritter, Don Robinson, Emma Jean Rowe

ROW V: Ione Rowe, June Scott, Leslie Smith, Patty St. Peter, Marvin Stevenson, Bob Lundy, Miss Frame, Sponsor

NOT PICTURED: Boyd Crawford, Gene Dunnwebber





FRESHMEN

On September 3, 1946, a group of 56 green Freshmen entered the halls of Fort Benton High School. That day a class meeting was held and officers were elected. Those elected were: Betty Jean Schultz, president; Jerry Vermillion, vice-president; and Eleanor Pimperton, secretary-treasurer. Mr. Pfeifer was chosen as class sponsor.

Two weeks later the Freshmen were initiated by the seniors. The costumes that they wore were nightgowns and curlers for the boys, and long underwear for the girls. The seniors weren't allowed to use paddles so they used great quantities of "hair oil" to pour over the "Frosh." The following Friday the initiation was held in the school gym and a Senior dance followed. On November 8 the Freshmen held a return dance for the seniors.

Freshmen candidates for the king and queen of the F. F. A. Harvest ball were Don Morris and Eleanor Pimperton. Jim Hardy and Janet Reichelt were nominated candidates for the Music Carnival king and queen.

On March 15 the class held a "Saddle Dance" which charged five cents for every inch of the right foot of each guest.

In March the first signs of spring fever showed and the Freshmen waited eagerly for the summer vacation when they could close their books and at last call themselves Sophomores.

FRESHMAN CLASS HISTORY



ROW I: Dorothy Anderson, Shirley Anderson, Robert Bach, Mabel Bailey, Norlene Batchelor, Claude Behrens, Beverly Birkeland, Kenneth Bramlette, Tom Bramlette

ROW II: Joyce Christenson, Estella Coady, LeRoy Daniels, Sharon Elliott, Shirley Flathers, James Frieling, Alfred Guy, Kenneth Hampton, Helen Hankins

ROW III: Mary Hankins, Eugene Hardy, Jim Hardy, Kenneth Hoeffner, Lily Mae Jackson, Richard Jahnke, William Knight, Loretta Lenington, Lester Lippert

ROW IV: Bill Lohse, Arleen Milledge, Robert Montgomery, Don Morris, Walter Myers, Edith Nordhues, Eleanor Pimperton, Darlene Pitt, Donna Pope

ROW V: David Pugh, Naomi Pursley, Janet Reichelt, Ted Reichelt, Betty Richard, Betty Jean Schultz, Lawrence Siebenaler, Clyde Smith, Norman Smith

ROW VI: Ted Tucker, Alice VanKuiken, Jack VanKuiken, Jerry Vermillion, Bernice Walker, Phyllis Willson, Marvin Works, Mr. Pfeifer, sponsor



ORGANIZATIONS AND ACTIVITIES





ROW I: Jeanie Kingsland, Ruth Ratliff, June Scott, Julia Siebenaler, Elsie Dedman, Aileen Laulo, Dolores Johnson

ROW II: Mr. Jack McGuin, director, Josephine Pugh, Mary Lee Adams, Norene Deck, Janet Elliott, Lois Robinson, Eleanor Pimpton, Ina May Milledge, Altha Frieling, Shirley Anderson, Beverly Birkeland, Bertie June Hankins, Maxine Anderson, Mary Ellen Ennis, Rita Loundagin, Phyllis Willson, Norlene Batchelor, Alice Willson, Sharon Elliott, Betty Jean Schultz

ROW III: Donald Swerdfeger, Tom Birkeland, Dick Jahnke, Ronald Farrell, Ramon Archer, Bob Doll, Jack Doll, Claude Behrens, Donald Morger, Jim Arnst, Wally Murray, Lawrence Siebenaler, Estella Coady, Dorothy Anderson, Don Pimpton, Jackie Bramlette, Leonard Semenza, Lily Mae Jackson

ROW IV: Clarabelle Farmer, Mary Drewiske, Naomi Pursley, Jimmie Svoboda, Marcella Ritter, Merrill King, Bernice Walker, Marion Law, Charles Embleton, Mary Hankins, Vanita King, Phyllis Birkeland, Loretta Lenington, Dolores Fowler, Shirley Johnson, Shirley Guy

ROW V: Helen Hankins, Margaret Farrington, Patty St. Peter, Jack Ennis, Del Swerdfeger, Bob Murray, John Jones, Bernard Billups, George Nottingham, Roberta Urton, Robert Montgomery, Jack Pittman, Marjorie Frieling, Naomi Seright, Phyllis Johnson

NOT PICTURED: Marvin Works, Donna Pope, Edith Nordhues, Jack Coady, William Knight, Opal Sykes

With the addition of new uniforms and twenty-five twirlers and flag swingers, the Fort Benton Longhorn Band, consisting of eighty-five pieces, contributed much to the color and excitement of the many activities crowding the school calendar this year.

The entire band played at all home football games but was cut to a thirty-two piece band during the basketball season. They played between the halves of the games to entertain the crowds.

The Longhorn Band also played at three tournaments: Chouteau County, Eastern Sub-District and the District. At these tournaments an outstanding entertainment between the halves was given; it featured a cornet trio playing in the dark, "We are the Boys from Benton High," followed by a lighted baton twirling act.

In the spring, Marion Law, one of the french horn players, was selected to play in the all Northwest Band Meet at Seattle, Washington. Several members of the band went to Missoula for the State Solo and Small Ensemble Festival.

The entire band also journeyed to Havre on May 10 to play in the festival held there.

Two formal concerts were given during the year and an out-door concert was given in May. A year of busy activities was concluded by playing for the Baccalaureate and Commencement exercises.

BAND



ROW I: Roberta Urton, Mabel Bailey, Jeanie Kingsland, Norlene Batchelor, Marcella Ritter, Patty Stewart, Carley Bramlette, Mary Ellen Ennis, Phyllis Birkeland, Altha Frieling, Jackie Bramlette, Dolores Johnson, Patty St. Peter, Doris Willson, Arleen Milledge, Mary Drewiske, Josephine Pugh, Betty Breiter, Mr. Jack McGuin, director

ROW II: Eleanor Pimperton, Estella Coady, Mary Hankins, Shirley Anderson, Abbie Mae Bailey, Phyllis Johnson, Shirley Guy, Ruth Ratliff, Mardelle Rowe, Janis Nelson, Ailene Laulo, Naomi Seright, Marjorie Frieling, Jennie Jenkinson, Dolores Bixby, Clarabelle Farmer, Shirley Johnson

ROW III: Phyllis Willson, Marjorie Laulo, Ione Rowe, Beverly Birkeland, Betty Jean Schultz, Vera Smith, Elsie Dedman, June Scott, Vanita King, Maxine Anderson, Bertie June Hankins, Marion Law, Betty Lou Vinion, Genevieve Lenington, Selma Schultz, Evelyn Charters

NOT PICTURED: Phyllis Smith, Voncile Hudelson

The girls' chorus, under the direction of Mr. Jack McGuin, was one of the successful musical activities of the year. Nearly sixty girls, interested in singing, met on Monday and Wednesday nights after school to practice. Their efforts were rewarded when they sang for programs throughout the year. They participated in the Christmas broadcast on Front Street. They also gave a spring concert and sang for the local women's clubs.

Besides the regular chorus several trio groups were organized. They participated in the music festival at Missoula.

Vanita King, second soprano, was invited and sang in the Northwest Music Meet at Seattle, Washington. She is to be congratulated on this achievement.

GIRLS' CHORUS



ROW I: Josephine Pugh, leader, Edith Nordhues, Margaret Farrington, Naomi Seright, Patty St. Peter, Mary Drewiske, Shirley Johnson, Donna Pope

ROW II: Shirley Guy, Phyllis Johnson, Clarabelle Farmer, Marjorie Frieling, Margaret Frieling, Lily Mae Jackson, Bernice Walker, Helen Hankins



LEFT TO RIGHT: Ruth Ratliff, Ailene Laulo, Elsie Dedman, Julia Siebenaler, Jeanie Kingsland, Rita Loundagin, June Scott, Naomi Pursley, Delores Johnson

With the addition of 19 new girls to work with the 6 experienced girls, they formed a very capable group of flag swingers and baton twirlers.

These girls performed at the basketball games both here and out of town. At the county, sub-district, and district tournaments, they showed what hours of work can achieve.

Four of the twirlers who performed with lighted batons were: Patty St. Peter, Naomi Seright, Marjorie Frieling, and Margaret Farrington. This act was received very well by the audience.

Twenty-one of the girls will be here next year to carry on their good work.

BATON TWIRLERS AND FLAG SWINGERS



ROW I: Betty Breiter, Chris Small

ROW II: Altha Frieling, Elmer Hotvedt

The Second Annual Music Club Carnival was given on the night of October 31, 1946. Booths of all kinds were set up, and the study hall was open for dancing.

All of the classes nominated their choice for king and queen of the carnival and the candidates were: Elmer Hotvedt and Altha Frieling, senior candidates; Burton Batchelor and Margaret Farrington, junior candidates; Don Robinson and Carley Bramlette, sophomore candidates; and Jim Hardy and Janet Reichelt, freshman candidates.

Elmer Hotvedt and Altha Frieling received the most votes and were crowned king and queen respectively.

All proceeds from the carnival were used to purchase new band uniforms.

CARNIVAL



ROW I: Miss Mildred Glover, director; Earl Dedman, Phyllis Smith, Doris Willson, Rena Schultz, Margaret Heinen, Bill Albers

ROW II: Elmer Hotvedt, Chris Small, Olive Lane, Betty Vinion, Jackie Bramlette, George Nottingham, Otto Stevens

NOT PICTURED: Voncile Hudelson

This year the senior class chose the hilarious comedy "Seven Sisters" to give before the public on the night of December 6, 1946. Miss Mildred Glover directed the play.

This was an Hungarian comedy that had its setting in the home of Widow Gyurkovics (played by Betty Lou Vinion). It showed all the amusing trouble that the widow had in getting matrimonial catches for her three older daughters, Katinka, Sari, and Ella.

Mitzi (Jackie Bramlette), the black sheep of the family, was expelled from school and immediately became involved with an army lieutenant, Horkoy (George Nottingham), over a wager in which she bet him three kisses that he could not get her three older sisters married in a year.

Horkoy immediately started to work on his task and at the end of three months had Katinka (Olive Lane) married to Colonel Radviany (Chris Small). After this, he arranged a marriage between Sari (Phyllis Smith) and Michael Sandorffy (Earl Dedman). He persuaded Ella (Margaret Heinen) to marry Gida (Bill Albers), a struggling young diplomat who hated diplomacy and wanted only to get married. Horkoy then made a proposal to Mitzi, and after being accepted, collected his wager.

Others in the play were Terka (Voncile Hudelson), Liza (Doris Willson), and Klara (Rena Schultz), who were the three younger children of the Gyurkovics family. Janko (Otto Stevens) was the family butler and Toni Teleki (Elmer Hotvedt) was the lisping godchild of Mrs. Gyurkovics.

SENIOR PLAY



John Jones, Lyle McKeever, Robert Deck, Franklin Elliott, John Deck

NOT PICTURED: Tom Wood

Educational movies are one of the many activities that help to instruct students in their classes. Volunteers, interested in movie projection, operated the projector and sound machine this year. This crew is to be congratulated for their fine work. In addition to the needed service they have rendered to the school we hope that they have benefited from their experience.

PROJECTOR



ROW I: Bob Montgomery, Abbie Mae Bailey, Carley Bramlette, Evelyn Charters, Sharon Elliott, John Jones

ROW II: Miss Glover, sponsor, Marilyn Prideaux, Gloria Morrill, Margaret Heinen, Vanita King, Selma Schultz, Jennie Jenkinson

ROW III: Bernard Billups, Bob Murray, Franklin Elliott, Wally Murray, Robert Klay, Leslie Smith, Otto Stevens

The Debate Club was organized this year with twenty members. When officers were chosen Bob Murray was elected president; Selma Schultz, vice president; and Margaret Heinen, secretary.

Meetings were held at noon on every Thursday with all members bringing their lunch. At each meeting a debate was held. On November 1, the members participated in a debate clinic in Havre. A practice tournament was held here on Saturday, February 8, and the spring clinic was held in Great Falls at St. Thomas Orphanage on March 22. In April, some of the debaters entered the Northwest Forensic Debates in Great Falls and in May a debate team went to the state meet in Missoula.

DEBATE CLUB



ROW I: Genevieve Lenington, Margaret Heinen, Betty Lou Vinion, Phyllis Birkeland, Jackie Bramlette

ROW II: Bertie June Hankins, Otto Stevens, Chris Small, Wally Murray, Selma Schultz

ROW III: Vanita King, Doris Willson, Rita Loundagin, Mrs. Schmidt, sponsor

Quill and Scroll, the international honorary society for high school journalists, organized in 1926 numbers over 2500 chapters and nearly fifty thousand young journalists from schools which are outstanding in the quality of their work, wear the gold badge of the society. The society has taken an active part in encouraging and rewarding individual achievement in journalism and in raising the standards in this field. Outstanding journalists and educators support the society and endorse its program. The society publishes a bi-monthly magazine for its members.

Membership may be secured only through a local chapter. Members must, at the time of their election, be of at least junior standing, be in the upper third of their class scholastically, have done superior work in some phase of journalism, be recommended by the supervisor or the committee governing publication, and must be approved by the executive secretary. To secure a charter of Quill and Scroll, a high school must publish a newspaper, an annual, or a magazine which is considered meritorious by the executive council.

QUILL AND SCROLL



ROW I: Olive Lane, Jackie Bramlette, Phyllis Smith, Genevieve Lenington, Betty Lou Vinion, Margaret Heinen, Mary Ellen Ennis, Rena Schultz

ROW II: Miss Glover, sponsor, Leonard Spear, Bob Murray, Earl Dedman, Bill Albers, John Deck

ROW III: Chris Small, Franklin Elliott, George Nottingham

NOT PICTURED: Otto Stevens, Elmer Hotvedt, Marjorie Lauo, Kenneth Clark, Phyllis Birkeland, Marjorie Frieling, Lloyd Allen, Selma Schultz, Don Bradley, Voncile Hudelson

Thespians is an honor dramatic society for high schools and Fort Benton High School is a member of this society, being Troupe No. 195.

In order to be a member of this organization, a student must not only do acting but he must do some stage work, some make-up and also help with the sale of tickets.

At the final meeting last spring the following officers were elected: Margaret Heinen, president; John Deck, secretary-treasurer. Olive Lane, John Deck, Leonard Spear, Margaret Heinen, Kenneth Clark, Franklin Elliott, Betty Lou Vinion and Mary Ellen Ennis were Thespians from last year.

After the senior play, "Seven Sisters," Jackie Bramlette, Phyllis Smith, Earl Dedman, George Nottingham, Bill Albers, and Chris Small became eligible for membership.

Following the speech class plays in March and the junior play, "Life of The Party," on April 18, several more students were initiated into the order.

Miss Glover is the Thespian's sponsor.

THESPIANS



ROW I: Wally Murray, Doris Willson, Genevieve Lenington, Mrs. Schmidt, sponsor,
Phyllis Smith, Chris Small

ROW II: Elna Cooper, Pat Stewart, Marjorie Laulo, Naomi Seright, Phyllis Birkeland,
Mary Ellen Ennis, Rita Loundagin, Kathleen Walker, Bertie June Hankins, Vanita
King, Altha Frieling

ROW III: Julia Siebenaler, Otto Stevens, George Nottingham, Earl Dedman, Jackie
Bramlette, Selma Schultz, Betty Lou Vinion, Elsie Dedman, Margaret Heinen,
Dorothy Elliot, Maxine Anderson, George Frieling, John Jones

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| President | Genevieve Lenington |
| Vice president | Doris Willson |
| Secretary-treasurer | Phyllis Smith |
| Sponsor | Mrs. Schmidt |

The press club is composed of the students that are interested in commercial and journalism work.

This club meets once a month. The meetings are held during the noon hour and members bring their lunch. The dues are twenty-five cents a year.

On March 28, they presented the "Press Club Follies." This was a talent show with members of the club participating. It was very well received by the audience.

The members have been more active this year than in previous years.

PRESS CLUB



The Cannon Report, the semi-monthly publication of F. B. H. S., was published under the successful leadership of Bertie June Hankins, the editor-in-chief, with the assistance of nearly twenty-five juniors and seniors. This crew gathered news and articles of interest to the school. Another duty of the staff is to compile the River Press news. Mrs. Schmidt proved a great help and aid as sponsor.

The following people were active in Cannon Report work: Rita Loundagin, Genevieve Lenington, Kathleen Walker, Pat Stewart, Betty Breiter, Marjorie Laulo, Margaret Heinen, Evelyn Charters, Mardelle Rowe, Vanita King, Janis Nelson, Elsie Dedman, Earl Dedman, Phyllis Birkeland, Elna Cooper, George Frieling, George Nottingham, Wally Murray, Phyllis Smith, Selma Schultz, Dorothy Elliot, Jackie Bramlette, Betty Lou Vinion, Maxine Anderson, Mary Ellen Ennis, Otto Stevens, Julia Siebenaler, Naomi Seright, Doris Willson, Chris Small, Bertie June Hankins, Mrs. Schmidt, sponsor.



COMMERCIAL DEPARTMENT

This department, under the direction of Mrs. C. W. Schmidt, is one that is working steadily every moment of the school year. In addition to the regular courses being taught, there are always calls for posters, programs, and other advertising necessary for school affairs. The Cannon Report comes out regularly every two weeks, and that adds to the duties of the department.

This department and the students enrolled in it should realize that the entire school appreciates the work that is being done there for the school.

CANNON REPORT



ROW I: Norlene Batchelor, Lily Mae Jackson, Betty Jean Schultz, Dorothy Anderson, Miss Frame, sponsor, Naomi Seright, Ruth Ratliff, Jeanie Kingsland, Shirley Johnson, Elsie Dedman

ROW II: Kathryn Postill, Mary Drewiske, Clarabelle Farmer, Phyllis Johnson, Shirley Guy, Marjorie Frieling, Marion Law, Edith Nordhues, Loretta Lenington, Vera Smith

ROW III: Dolores Bixby, Bernadine Bogner, Shirley Flathers, June Scott, Josephine Pugh, Estella Coady, Mary Emma Hankins, Edythe Stallcup, Arleen Milledge

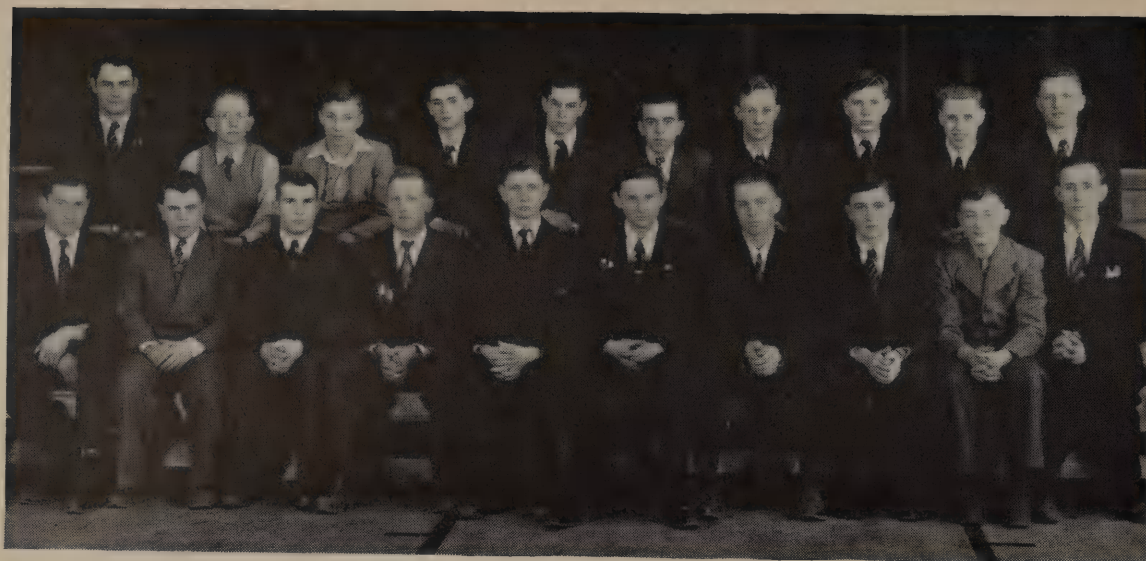
The officers of the Future Homemakers for 1946-1947 were Naomi Seright, president; Dorothy Anderson, vice-president; and Betty Jean Schultz, secretary-treasurer.

In October the FHA members went to Havre to attend the Future Homemakers District Convention. At this convention Shirley Guy was elected president of District 3. Shirley Guy, Naomi Seright, and Miss Frame attended the M. H. A. State Convention at Bozeman from March 21-23.

A dinner and dance was held in November for FHA members and their dates and on February 25 a dancing party was given. The organization also planned and prepared several banquets during the year.

Meetings were held the second and fourth Tuesday of every month.

FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA



ROW I: Kenneth Clark, Melvin Batchelor, Paul Craig, Robert Deck, Wesley Crawford, Lyle McKeeve, Bill Albers, Robert Taylor, Teddy Reichelt, Bernard Billups

ROW II: Mr. G. D. Lammers, sponsor, Marvin Works, Don Morris, William Knight, Donavan Bixby, Lloyd Allen, Ray McCafferty, Wayne Crawford, Harry Foucher, Boyd Crawford

NOT PICTURED: Raymond Allard, Gene Dunnwebber, Howard LeFurgey, Willis Myers, Walter Myers, Jack Van Kuiken

The officers of the FFA this year were: Thomas Wood, president; Lyle McKeever, first vice-president; Wesley Crawford, second vice-president; Robert Taylor, secretary; Robert Deck, treasurer; Howard LeFurgey, reporter; Bill Albers, sentinel; and Mr. G. D. Lammers, sponsor.

President Tom Wood completed school at the end of the first semester and Lyle McKeever took over the duties of president. Wesley Crawford became first vice-president and Paul Craig was elected second vice-president.

The second and fourth Tuesday of every month was set aside for the meetings. After the meetings the boys attended movies in the auditorium.

Tom Wood, Lyle McKeever, Robert Taylor, Robert Deck, and Howard LeFurgey attended the National FFA Victory Convention in Kansas City, Missouri, last October.

On March 29, the Benton Chapter was host to the annual District Meet with five other schools participating.

FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA



ROW I: Roberta Urton, Betty Vinion, Patty St. Peter, Phyllis Birkeland, Mary Ellen Ennis, Naomi Seright, Doris Willson, Julia Siebenaler, Margaret Farrington

ROW II: Maxine Anderson, Selma Schultz, Margaret Frieling, Betty Jean Schultz, Marjorie Frieling, Rita Loundagin, Genevieve Lenington, Vanita King, Bertie June Hankins

ROW III: Mr. McGuin, sponsor, Bob Murray, Bob Doll, Jim Arnst, Lloyd Allen, Ramon Archer

NOT PICTURED: Wally Murray

The Lyre's Club was first organized at Fort Benton High School in the spring of 1946. All students earning letters under the point system were eligible to join.

The following students were elected officers in the fall of 1946: president, Julia Siebenaler; vice-president, Rita Loundagin; secretary-treasurer, Doris Willson.

The Lyre's Club sponsored a few mixers after basketball games. There was a good time enjoyed by all.

LYRE'S CLUB



ROW I: Mr. McGuin, director, Betty Richards, Jean Kingsland, Mabel Bailey, Abbie Bailey, Pat'y St. Peter, Delores Johnson, Carley Bramlette, Marcella Ritter, Naomi Seright, Jackie Bramlette, Altha Frieling, Mary Ellen Ennis, Doris Willson, Norlene Batchelor, Josephine Pugh, Shirley Johnson, Mary Drewiske, Sharon Elliott, Arlene Milledge, Bernice Walker, Phyllis Smith

ROW II: Betty Breiter, Patty Stewart, Ina Mae Milledge, Ma-delle Rowe, Marjorie Laulo, Jennie Jenkinson, Ailene Laulo, Vera Smith, Janis Nelson, Phyllis Birkeland, Selma Schultz, Shirley Anderson, Rita Loundagin, Mary Hankins, Ruth Ratliff, Margaret Farrington, Eleanor Pimperton, Dorothy Anderson, Phyllis Willson, Evelyn Charters, Darlene Pitt

ROW III: Margaret Frieling, Phyllis Johnson, Beverly Birkeland, Julia Siebenaler, Marian Law, Ione Rowe, Elsie Dedman, June Scott, Vanita King, Maxine Anderson, Betty Lou Vinion, Bertie June Hankins, Betty Jean Schultz, Genevieve Lenington, Estella Coady, Lily Mae Jackson, Marjorie Frieling, Shirley Guy, Clarabelle Farmer

ROW IV: Marvin Works, Bob Doll, Bill Knight, Jack Coady, Bob Murray, George Nottingham, Wally Murray, Charles Embleton, Jim Arnst, Claude Behrens, Don Morger, Lawrence Siebenaler, Jack Doll, John Jones, Ramon Archer, Bob Montgomery, Dick Jahnke

NOT PICTURED: Roberta Urton, Delores Bixby, Naomi Pursley, Loretta Lenington, Helen Hankins

The Music Club was organized this year with the following officers elected:

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| Vanita King | President |
| Wally Murray | Vice President |
| Shirley Anderson | Secretary |
| Doris Willson | Treasurer |

Membership is open to all students participating in at least one music activity.

The Music Club held their annual all-school carnival on November first and again it proved to be one of the most entertaining events of the fall season.

MUSIC CLUB



ROW I: Mary Ellen Ennis, Patty Stewart, Betty Breiter, Carley Bramlette, Marjorie Laulo

ROW II: Virgil Allison, Elna Cooper, Mardelle Rowe, Emma Jean Rowe, Doris Willson, Delores Johnson, Kathleen Walker, Earl Granger

ROW III: Don Robinson, Leonard Spear, Marilyn Prideaux, Janis Nelson, Dorothy Elliot, Betty Vinion, Phyllis Smith, Selma Schultz, Jack Coady

ROW IV: Mr. Carl Shogren, sponsor, George Frieling, Leslie Smith, Elsie Dedman, Genevieve Lenington, Ione Rowe, Ailene Laulo, Burfon Batchelor

"Hot dogs——Coke!" that familiar cry was heard at all home football and basketball games. With a limited membership of thirty-five the pep club was one of the most active organizations during the school year.

Profit made from the coke and hot dog sales was used by the club to purchase a new score board for the gym.

They also formed an organized cheering section next to the band. This proved an asset to the force and effectiveness of the yells.

Officers for the year were: George Frieling, president; Leonard Spear, vice president; Voncile Hudelson, secretary; and Elna Cooper, treasurer.

PEP CLUB



OLD STUDENT COUNCIL

ROW I: Robert Klay, Phyllis Birkeland, Mr. Wylie, sponsor, Selma Schultz, Otto Stevens

ROW II: Rita Loundagin, Arnie Campbell, Vanita King, Wally Murray, Bob Fisher

NOT PICTURED: Evelynne Johnson Shogren



NEW STUDENT COUNCIL

ROW I: Leonard Spear, Phyllis Birkeland, Mr. Pfeifer, sponsor, Altha Frieling, Otto Stevens

ROW II: Bob Murray, Earl Dedman, Bertie Hankins, Bob Kelley, George Nottingham, George Frieling

STUDENT COUNCIL

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The student council is an organization to help carry out the activities of the school.

In order to be elected as a member of the student council your name must be entered on a petition which must be signed by ten people. At an election in which every student in high school participates, all the petitions are voted on.

As the 1946-1947 school term began, the student council, which had been elected last spring, consisted of Otto Stevens, president; Robert Klay, vice president; Phyllis Birkeland, treasurer; Selma Schultz, secretary; Evelyn Johnson Shogren, Wally Murray, Arnie Campbell, Betty Breiter, Bob Fisher, and Rita Loundagin, commissioners. Vanita King was appointed to fill Evelynne Shogren's place when she left school.

Another election was held at the end of the first semester and the new student council was as follows: Otto Stevens, president; Leonard Spear, vice president; Phyllis Birkeland, treasurer; Altha Frieling, secretary; George Frieling, George Nottingham, Earl Dedman, Bertie Hankins, Bob Kelley, and Bob Murray, commissioners.

All the offices were filled by seniors.

SPEECH CLASS PLAYS

Two groups of one act plays were presented by the speech department to give every member of the class an opportunity to appear in a play. The first group, presented on March 11, consisted of "Are We Dressing," a comedy of two young people who are invited to a party and try to decide whether to go formal; "Gray Bread," a more serious play dealing with the degree of discipline that should be exercised by parents; "No, Not the Russians," an hilarious comedy concerning a family of artists; and "The Valiant," a serious play depicting the courage of a man who is facing execution.

On March 14, the second group of plays was presented. In this group were "The Boor," a comedy of a man who comes to collect a debt and falls in love with a rich widow; "Search Me," a comedy of the difficulties encountered when a man tries to deliver a large sum of money to some one in another town; and "Aria Da Capo," a verse drama showing the greed that leads to war.

These plays, besides giving students experience before the footlights, helped finance participants to the Little Theater Contest held at Missoula.

ORATORICAL CONTEST

The American Legion Oratorical Contest was held this year, and the topic was "The Sovereignty of the People—Then and Now." Every member of both speech classes gave a 10-12 minute oration. The best eight speeches were given for the public.

Those students giving orations publicly were: Genevieve Lenington, Margaret Heinen, Mary Ellen Ennis, John Deck, Marvelle Webster, Otto Stevens, and Franklin Elliott. Mr. Edmund T. Anderson, from Great Falls, was the judge. Marvelle Webster placed first, with Franklin Elliott second, and Margaret Heinen third.

On the night of March 12, Marvelle entered the district contest, which was held in Fort Benton, and received second place.



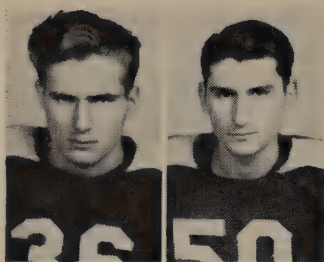
Betty Breiter, Carley Bramlette, Marjorie Laulo, Mary Ellen Ennis, Patty Stewart

Five veteran cheerleaders successfully led the F. B. H. S. students in supporting their team during the football and basketball season. These cheerleaders arranged and led pep assemblies before the games, at home games, and when the team traveled they were there with their enthusiasm and support. The cheerleaders, who were directed by Mr. Jack McGuin, showed originality and initiative, which brought new interest into the games. For costumes the girls wore attractive red skirts and boleros with white jersey blouses.

CHEERLEADERS

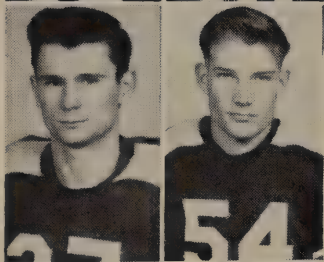


ATHLETICS



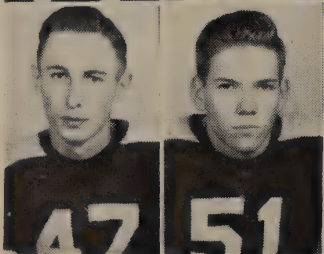
GEORGE NOTTINGHAM: Senior fullback with three letters. His blocking and defensive work made him stand out in the games he played.

BOB KELLEY: Senior quarterback with three letters. His expert signal-calling and drive made him outstanding in all of the games. He was consistent on both offense and defense.



CHRIS SMALL: Senior halfback with four letters. Chris' speed and punting made him outstanding in all the games. He was one of the best defensive men on the team.

DONALD ARCHER: Senior halfback with four letters. Don was small but his speed and natural ability made him a valuable cog in the team.



BOB MURRAY: Senior end with one letter. Bob's offensive blocking and pass catching, helped to make a more balanced team.

ELMER HOTVEDT: Senior and with two letters. Elmer's pass catching and blocking made him a valuable asset to the team.



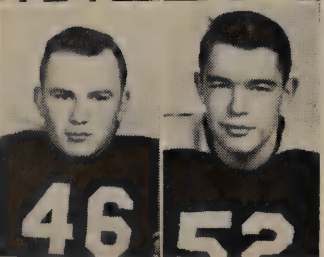
PAUL CRAIG: Junior tackle with three letters. Paul was a steady player on both offense and defense. Paul should be good next year.

ARCHIE MEEKS: Junior tackle with one letter. Archie's weight and speed gave him a place on the team. The team will be glad to have Archie back next year.



MELVIN BATCHELOR: Senior guard with two letters. Melvin's football spirit was keen and consistent, a dependable line man in every way.

EARL DEDMAN: Senior guard with three letters. Earl's speed gave him an advantage over many opponents. He got more than his share of the tackles, and was outstanding on both offense and defense.



BILL LOHSE: Freshman center with one letter. Bill filled Jim Elliot's center position after he was injured. His insight and ability to learn fast gave him what it took to play football.

JIM ELLIOT: Senior center with three letters. Jim was "Captain" and the best defensive player on the team. He was consistent and dependable; it was a severe blow to the team when he got his leg broken in the Shelby game.

FOOTBALL

DONALD MORGER: Junior halfback with one letter. Bun didn't come out until the last of the season but he proved his worth in the St. Mary's game.

RAMON ARCHER: Sophomore halfback with one letter. Ramey was small and light but showed determination during the season. Ramey will be an asset next year.

BOB FISHER: Junior end with one letter. Although Bob is small his determination made him a valuable player. Watch him next year.

JERRY VERMILLION: Freshman end. Jerry didn't earn a letter but was always around to practice.

BOB KLAY: Junior tackle with one letter. Bob had the ability to learn but lacked experience; he should be better next year.

CLAUDE BEHRENS: Freshman tackle with one letter. Claude has weight and determination to make a good football player.

JERE COOPER: Sophomore guard with one letter. Jere was inexperienced but his football spirit was keen, he'll be good material next year.

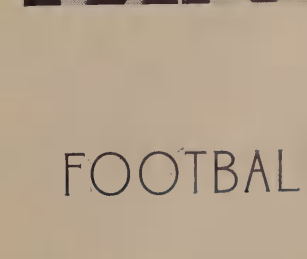
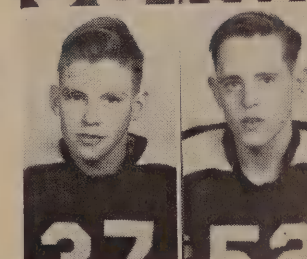
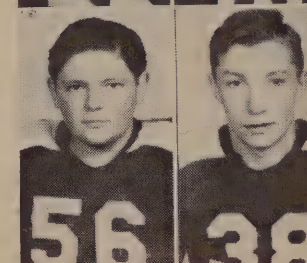
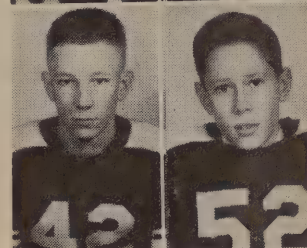
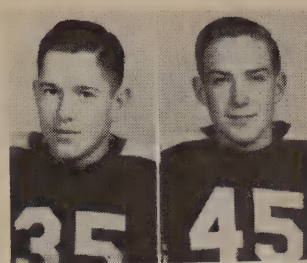
BERNARD BILLUPS: Junior guard with one letter. Bernard was new in the game but developed to a fine substitute.

WAYNE BRADLEY: Junior center with one letter. Wayne had the size that made him a midstay on the second string.

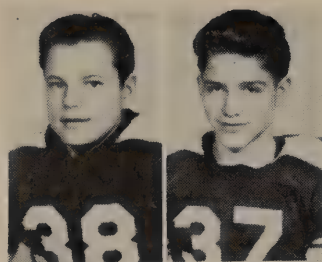
DONALD MORRIS: was a Freshman halfback. Don didn't play enough for a letter this year but will make a good player in future years.

TEDDY TUCKER: was a Freshman end. Ted didn't earn a letter this year but will be good material for future years.

DAVID PUGH: Freshman end. David was always out for practice but lacked experience to earn a letter.

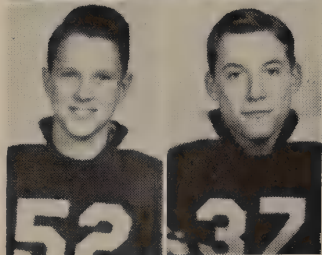


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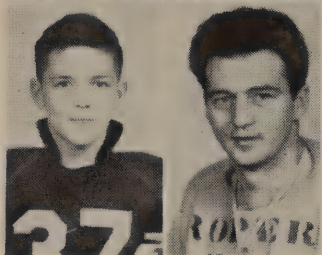
KENNETH HOFFNER: was a Freshman halfback. Kenny didn't earn a letter but with more experience should be a valuable player.

CLYDE SMITH: was a Freshman quarterback. Clyde had the ability to learn but was handicapped by being small.



BOB MONTGOMERY: was a Freshman halfback. Bob was out for practice every day.

JAMES FRIELING: was a Freshman halfback. James stayed out all season but didn't have the size or ability to warrant a letter.



TOM BRAMLETTE: was a Freshman quarterback. Tommy was always out for practice.

CHARLES WILLIAMS: Freshman coach from MSU. His coaching showed that he had the "know" about football. He showed that he could take punishment in practice as well as give plenty of it to the "veteran" players.



OTTO STEVENS: senior with two letters. "All work and no praise" has been the rule where managers were concerned, but the players surely appreciate them.

EARL GRANGER: sophomore with one letter. Our managers supplied the players with towels, salt pills, hot water for showers and they kept the field in shape. Without them games would have been impossible.

FOOTBALL

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The Longhorns started their '46 season with a game against the Great Falls Reserves. The score ended 0-7 in favor of the Reserves. After another week of practice, they tangled with the Choteau Bulldogs on the home field. Both teams fought evenly but neither was able to score. The next week they traveled to Shelby to engage the Coyotes. The Longhorns held a slight advantage until Captain James Elliot was injured, but even with their loss fought to a scoreless tie. The Longhorns, with more scoring punch, romped over Chinook 46-0, this being the first score made by the team up to this time. With fight and determination, they journeyed to Great Falls to meet St. Mary's but were on the short end of a 20-28 count for the Mustangs. They played Malta, one of the strongest teams in the District, in the mud, on the local field, scoring a 26-0 advantage. This victory put St. Mary's, Malta, and Fort Benton in a three-way tie for the Judith Basin Championship.

The return game with Malta was played at Malta, the Longhorns being again victorious over the larger club by 7-0. The Mustangs dumped the Longhorns 19-7 for the second time this season, thereby winning the Championship. By taking second place in the Judith Basin District, the Longhorns ended a successful season with Charles Williams as coach.

SCHEDULE

| OPPONENT | THEY | FBHS | WHERE PLAYED |
|----------------------|------|------|--------------|
| Great Falls Reserves | 7 | 0 | Great Falls |
| Choteau | 0 | 0 | Fort Benton |
| Shelby | 0 | 0 | Shelby |
| Chinook | 0 | 46 | Fort Benton |
| St. Mary's | 28 | 20 | Great Falls |
| Malta | 0 | 26 | Fort Benton |
| Malta | 0 | 7 | Malta |
| St. Mary's | 19 | 7 | Fort Benton |
| OPPONENTS | 54 | 106 | |

THE PUBLISHERS

We wish to thank the River Press, Mr. Overholser and Miss Harber, especially, for their tireless work in helping us publish our annual. They helped over many a rough spot so the annual could come out on time. Advice from them was used very readily as it was always good, and this has been appreciated.

The River Press prints many school tickets and programs during the school year, and aids in many other ways.

When Coach Williams issued a call for all basketball hopefuls in early December he found he had five veterans from last year's club and many new prospects.

The Longhorns played 28 games during the season winning 20 and dropping 8. They scored 1230 points to their opponents' 971 and had a game average of 44 to their rivals' 34. The team played close games with St. Mary's, their rival of many years, and won by last second shots from the field in two games. During the season Benton scored two decisive upsets by downing Cut Bank 40 to 33, which was then rated the best team in Northern Montana; and by winning over Saco 46 to 43. The Saco squad had the same team which won the Eastern Division first place in the 1945-1946 season.

In tournament play the Chouteau County Crown was taken by Big Sandy with Benton receiving second place. Fort Benton played host to the Sub-district tournament and the Longhorns beat Highwood 48 to 18, Neihart 57 to 30 and St. Mary's 53 to 36 to retain the title.

On February 20, 21, and 22 the Divisional Tournament was held in Great Falls. In their first game the Longhorns beat Simms 51 to 25, next they downed Centerville 55 to 41. As in 1946 Choteau and Fort Benton were to play in the finals. The Longhorns put up a desperate battle but lost to the Bulldogs 43 to 41. By losing to Choteau the Longhorns were compelled to play Fairfield whom they hadn't previously met in the Tournament. Fairfield beat Fort Benton 41 to 39. With this loss Benton received 3rd place for the Division.

Bob Kelley and Chris Small were co-captains on this year's team with Don Morger, Jim Elliot, Elmer Hotvedt and Marvin Stevenson in the main starting positions.

The Longhorns graduated five seniors from the squad this year leaving six letter-men to return for next year's team.

1946-1947 BASKETBALL SEASON RECORD

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|-------------|----|-----|-------------|----|
| Fort Benton | 33 | vs. | Big Sandy | 29 |
| Fort Benton | 46 | vs. | St. Mary's | 44 |
| Fort Benton | 44 | vs. | Power | 24 |
| Fort Benton | 50 | vs. | Centerville | 35 |
| Fort Benton | 18 | vs. | Power | 19 |
| Fort Benton | 27 | vs. | Fairfield | 29 |
| Fort Benton | 54 | vs. | Highwood | 38 |
| Fort Benton | 40 | vs. | Cut Bank | 33 |
| Fort Benton | 41 | vs. | Shelby | 47 |
| Fort Benton | 39 | vs. | Choteau | 50 |
| Fort Benton | 38 | vs. | Fairfield | 29 |
| Fort Benton | 43 | vs. | Big Sandy | 53 |
| Fort Benton | 42 | vs. | Choteau | 45 |
| Fort Benton | 46 | vs. | Saco | 43 |
| Fort Benton | 45 | vs. | Centerville | 31 |
| Fort Benton | 43 | vs. | St. Mary's | 41 |
| Fort Benton | 54 | vs. | Highwood | 29 |
| Fort Benton | 73 | vs. | Neihart | 41 |
| Fort Benton | 45 | vs. | V.F.W. | 25 |

CHOUTEAU COUNTY TOURNEY

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|-------------|----|-----|-----------|----|
| Fort Benton | 50 | vs. | Highwood | 21 |
| Fort Benton | 31 | vs. | Big Sandy | 34 |

SUB-DISTRICT TOURNEY

| | | | | |
|-------------|----|-----|------------|----|
| Fort Benton | 48 | vs. | Highwood | 18 |
| Fort Benton | 57 | vs. | Neihart | 30 |
| Fort Benton | 53 | vs. | St. Mary's | 36 |

DISTRICT TOURNEY

| | | | | |
|-------------|----|-----|-------------|----|
| Fort Benton | 51 | vs. | Simms | 25 |
| Fort Benton | 55 | vs. | Centerville | 41 |
| Fort Benton | 41 | vs. | Choteau | 43 |
| Fort Benton | 39 | vs. | Fairfield | 41 |

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| TOTAL | 1230 | TOTAL | 971 |
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BASKETBALL



ROW I: Elmer Hotvedt, Jim Elliot, Chris Small, Bob Kelley, Don Morger

ROW II: Mr. Charles Williams, coach, Jere Cooper, Gene Hardy, Gordon Paul, Marvin Stevenson, Arnold Campbell, Bob Lundy, Earl Dedman, manager, Otto Stevens, manager

PLAYER'S RECORD

| | Total Points | Free Throws | Percent Free Throws |
|------------------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| Chris Small | 302 | 44 | 48 |
| Don Morger | 278 | 46 | 51 |
| Bob Kelley | 266 | 51 | 48 |
| Marvin Stevenson | 137 | 24 | 32 |
| James Elliot | 76 | 13 | 17 |
| Elmer Hotvedt | 58 | 21 | 44 |
| Jere Cooper | 34 | 10 | 45 |
| Eugene Hardy | 39 | 7 | 37 |
| Bob Lundy | 21 | 5 | 42 |
| Arnie Campbell | 17 | 5 | 36 |
| Gordon Paul | 12 | 6 | 42 |

BASKETBALL



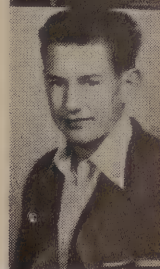
ROW I: Tommy Bramlette, Don Morris, Ramon Archer, Bob Fisher, Archie Meeks, Teddie Tucker, Clyde Smith, LeRoy Daniels

ROW II: Coach Carl Shogren, Harry Foucher, Claude Behrens, Bob Klay, Charles Embleton, Norman Smith, James Hardy, manager Earl Granger

Although the team was inexperienced and started slow, they finished strong, winning the last three games by lop-sided scores. Archie Meeks, captain, outstanding as a pivot man, was also good on backboard. Offensive standouts were Tucker and Vermillion; while the defensive standouts were Hardy, Fisher, and Embleton.

At the end of the season the "B's" had 6 wins and 4 losses to their credit. They had 374 points for the season in comparison to 283 for their opponents.

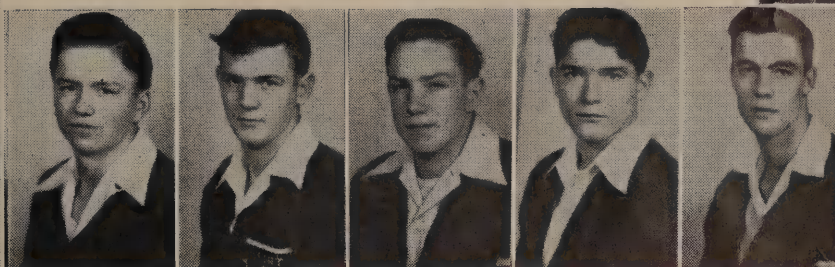
"B" BASKETBALL



TOP: Melvin Batchelor, George Nottingham, Bob Kelley, Don Morger, Bernard Billups, Chris Small

LEFT SIDE: Bob Murray, Otto Stevens, Bill Lohse, Gordon Paul

RIGHT SIDE: Paul Craig, Jerry Cooper, Archie Meeks, Don Archer



CENTER: Bob Lundy, Arnie Campbell, Ramon Archer, George Frieling, Earl Dedman

BOTTOM: Elmer Hotvedt, Earl Granger, Gene Hardy, Marvin Stevenson, Claude Behrens, Wayne Bradley

NOT PICTURED: Jim Elliot



ATHLETIC CLUB

- SEPT. 3: OH happy day, school began today. Everyone was overjoyed to see the school once again.
- SEPT. 11: Longhorns played first football game today. They lost to the Great Falls Reserves 7-0.
- SEPT. 18: Today the Freshies came to school decked out in silk nightgowns for the boys and long underwear with boys' swim suits over that for the girls. Were they cute!
- SEPT. 20: Today the Choteau Bulldogs tangled with our team at home for the second game of the season. Score was 0-0.
- SEPT. 22: Fort Benton played another 0-0 game. This time it was with Shelby on their field.
- OCT. 1: The first assembly program sponsored by the Student Council was held. Erman Gray, marimba artist, entertained both the grade and high school.
- OCT. 4: The Longhorns trounced Chinook 46-0 on our field. That night the FFA boys sponsored the formal Harvest Ball.
- OCT. 11: The Sophomores sponsored their first dance of the new school year.
- OCT. 12: Football team went to Great Falls to play St. Mary's. Fort Benton lost by a score of 28-20.
- OCT. 18: The Juniors had a Sadie Hawkins dance, raffled off a pig, and a teacher won it. This happened all in one night. Good luck Peggy for getting the piggy.
- OCT. 21: The Home Ec. Club went to Havre to a FHA meet.
- OCT. 25: MEA convention. So, a vacation for the students.
- OCT. 26: Fort Benton vs. Malta. The Longhorns proved they could win under heavy opposition. Score 26-0.
- NOV. 1: M. S. U. debaters presented a debate for the high school audience. That night the annual Carnival of the Music Club was given. Jackie Bramlette and Marilyn Prideaux each won a "Chico the clown."
- NOV. 2: Longhorns played Malta again and they won again. The Debate Club went to Havre for a practice debate clinic.
- NOV. 8: Fort Benton played St. Mary's. St. Mary's won. Frosh gave a dance that night.
- NOV. 15: Student Council dance was given.
- NOV. 22: Sophomores had a Halloween dance. The Sophomore class had some good, original ideas for dances this year. The Lyre's Club held first fall meeting.
- NOV. 28-29: Thanksgiving vacation. Um! did that turkey taste good!
- DEC. 6: Senior Play "Seven Sisters" was given. The seniors did themselves proud by it, too.
- DEC. 11: The first basketball game of the season. Longhorns vs. Big Sandy. Fort Benton won 33-29.
- DEC. 14: The Longhorns won over St. Mary's in a rough fray 46-44. Was it ever exciting! After the game there was a mixer in the library sponsored by the Lyre's Club.
- DEC. 18: The Speech class presented a Christmas program. After seeing it, everyone truly got in the Christmas spirit.
- DEC. 20: The Music Christmas program was presented by the grade and high school. After the program the Senior Ball was given. Wasn't the Christmas tree beautiful?
- DEC 21: Christmas vacation began.
- JAN. 3: Fairfield beat the Longhorns 29-27 in a home game.
- JAN. 4: Fort Benton traveled to Highway to defeat the Mountaineers 54-38.
- JAN. 6: Vacation over so we came back to school for four and a half months more.
- JAN. 10: Cut Bank journeyed to Benton to lose 40-33 to the Longhorns.
- JAN. 11: Longhorns met Shelby here and bowed to the Coyotes 47-41.
- JAN. 17: Fort Benton was defeated 39-50 by Choteau on their home floor.
- JAN. 18: Longhorns trounced to ■ 38-29 victory over Fairfield at Fairfield.
- JAN. 21: Mr. Branson Stevenson, Great Falls artist, visited FBHS and spoke on art. He also exhibited many of his etchings.

CALENDAR

JAN. 24-25: Fort Benton played host to three teams at the County Tournament. Big Sandy took first place by defeating Fort Benton 34-31. Highwood and Geraldine won third and fourth respectively.

JAN. 28: FFA meeting. Big Sandy for the second time this season defeated the Longhorns by a score of 54-43.

JAN. 29: The Sophs gave a talent show. From all reports it was well attended.

JAN. 30: Oratorical Contest held. Mr. Edmund Anderson from Great Falls was judge. Marvelle Webster, Franklin Elliott and Margaret Heinen placed first, second and third respectively.

JAN. 31: Centerville traveled to Fort Benton to be defeated 45-31 by the Longhorns.

FEB. 1: Choteau defeated Fort Benton 45-42 at Choteau.

FEB. 3: Saco lost to Longhorns 46-43 in home game.

FEB. 13-14-15: Seven teams gathered at Fort Benton for the sub-district tourney. Fort Benton, St. Mary's, Centerville, and Neihart placed first, second, third, and fourth respectively.

FEB. 20-21-22: District tournament at Great Falls. Choteau, Fairfield, Fort Benton and Power won first, second, third, and fourth places respectively.

FEB. 28: Junior Class sponsored a "Masquerade Ball." Prizes were given for the three best costumes.

MARCH 11: Speech Class plays entitled "Are We Dressing", "Gray Bread", "No, Not The Russians", and "The Valiant" were given.

MARCH 12: Regional Oratorical contest held at Fort Benton. Bill Kotz of Great Falls received first place honors and Marvelle Webster second place.

MARCH 14: A second group of Speech Class plays were given. They were: "The Boor", "Search Me", and "Aria da Capo".

MARCH 15: Frosh had a Saddle Oxford dance. The price was a nickle for every inch of your foot. It was the initial appearance of the new high school dance orchestra the "Swing Club".

MARCH 22: The debate club took debaters to the debate clinic in Great Falls.

MARCH 27: Marionette Show sponsored by the Junior League of Great Falls and brought here by the Student Council.

MARCH 28: "Press Club Follies" directed by Mrs. Schmidt, and presented by members of the Press Club.

MARCH 29: Sophomores sponsored their "Spring Fever Dance." The FFA district meeting was held here.

APRIL 3-4: Good Friday—At last two days vacation!

APRIL 11: County Home Ec. meeting held in Fort Benton. "Glimpses of Holland" a school assembly was given.

APRIL 12: Music Festival held in Missoula. Did we hear some stories when the kids returned.

APRIL 18: Juniors presented play entitled "Life of the Party."

APRIL 25: Mr. Jack McGuin and band presented the "Spring Band Concert".

APRIL 26: Student Council dance at which paper hats were given as tickets.

MAY 1-2: High School Week held at Bozeman. We did quite well in the tests.

MAY 9: Juniors presented their annual prom. The decorations were beautiful and it was well attended.

MAY 10: Havre Festival. Were we tired after dancing all night and marching all day!

MAY 14: The band presented an outdoor concert.

MAY 15-16: Track and Dramatics meet held in Missoula. Wouldn't it be nice if we could become an actor or an athlete and get to go to Missoula. (At least for those two days.)

MAY 18: Baccalaureate exercises for the class of 1947 were held.

MAY 21: Graduation tonight. There were many tears and smiles tonight. Dean J. W. Maucker from School of Education, M. S. U., was the speaker.

MAY 23: School is finally over. For the underclassmen, see you next year. For the Seniors, a fond goodbye and God speed you on your way.

CALENDAR



